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**A Pastor... GOD!**  
**HIS MEN - AND**

TOGETHER THEY CAN "MOVE MOUNTAINS" AND "CHANGE GREAT CHURCHES!"

**OCTOBER 9th IS LAYMAN'S DAY**  
IN SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCHES

## The Hand of Providence In The Making of History

By Dr. W. M. CASKEY  
Professor of History, Political  
Science and Economics  
Mississippi College  
Clinton Mississippi

Did you realize that there are in this Christian land of ours today many — too many — critics of Christianity, who are "saying in the condescending language" of a certain familiar character in fiction: "After all something must be offered persons who are down in the world — the barefooted, the strugglers for existence and the wretched; and so they are offered pure legends — wild fancies — soul immortality — paradise — the stars — to swallow. They chew that and put it on their dry bread. The man who has nothing, has God, and that is something at any rate. God is good for the plebs." I say to you if this quotation from this character in fiction were true, that is if there were no soul-immortality, no paradise, no God, then all of our recorded history would be but a "dry narration of meaningless facts," and you and I and all mankind, would

be fulfilling no purpose in this world of ours.

My point is, if there be no "controlling, directing and governing intelligence," if there be no God then the most wonderful discoveries and achievements of man only happen to have relation with the future, and the world's greatest heroes are "only accidents of the time and of that hour."

It is indeed the "folly of superficialism and the folly of wickedness" to ever attempt to ignore the Divine Hand of Providence in the making of history as Hitler and Mussolini did when they plunged the world into that greatest of all catastrophes, and as Godless, atheistic communistic Russia has done under the leadership of Stalin, and is doing under his less illustrious successors.

As I contemplate on this sublime subject I am reminded of those beautiful lines of the poet:

"Never a daisy that grows,  
But a mystery guideth the growing.

Never a river that flows,  
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## Layman's Day Set For Sunday

"A Pastor, His Men, and God" will be the theme of Layman's Day, to be observed in thousands of churches throughout the Southern Baptist Convention this coming Sunday, Oct. 9.

W. R. Roberts, state Brotherhood secretary, is urging every Mississippi church to observe Layman's Day whether it has a Brotherhood or not.

Layman's Day is a day set aside by Southern Baptist when the men of the churches can be challenged and recognized.

It is a day when pastors can express appreciation to their men and consequently enrich the fellowship between themselves and their laymen.

It is a day on which men are challenged to find their place in the life of the church.

It is a day to emphasize the need of the enlistment of the total manpower to carry out that program.

It is a day of consecration and rededication.

The successful observance of Layman's Day requires early planning.

The pastor, because of his place of leadership in the church is the first to encourage the observance of Layman's Day.

Committees should be set up and instructed. Committees needed will be in relation to what the church decides to do. The following committees are often used by churches:

Service, Radio, Publicity, Attendance, Fill-the-pew, Visitation Evangelism, Music.

Thus men of the church, through a well-planned program, have a major part in the activities of the day. The men are thereby challenged and used.

It is urged that the Royal Ambassadors, now a part of Brotherhood life, have a part also in the events of the day.

—BR—

## In Jail—Or Out?

Of course Mr. McCormick was teasing but his remark shows how much more Lottie Moon Christmas Offering money is needed.

In Honolulu we Southern Baptists have an elementary school which has been wonderfully fruitful in the Lord's harvest. It has been crowded and handi-  
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## Sept. Coop. Funds Total \$155,286

\$161,305.97 To Necessary Reach Goal

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for September were 155,826.57, an increase of \$5,590.17 over the \$149,696.40 given in September a year ago, it has been revealed by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

The September offerings also were the second highest in history, topped only by the \$179,312.42 given last October.

Offerings through September for this Convention year totaled \$1,348,694.03, an increase of \$127,851.85 over the same period a year ago, or 10.47 per cent.

The goal for this Convention year is \$1,510,000.00, leaving \$161,305.97 to be given in October in order to reach our goal.

The operating budget of \$1,

300,000 has already been passed and all contributions in October up to \$1,510,000 goal will go to the Capital Needs budget for the building needs of our institutions.

Dr. Quarles was emphatic in pointing to the pressing building needs of our institutions and urged all churches to cooperate in order that we may be certain to go "over the top" to victory in October.

The institutions would share as follows in the current capital needs budget:

Mississippi College, Clark College, Blue Mountain College, William Carey College and Mississippi Baptist Hospital, \$40,000 each, and the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, \$10,000.

## Dr. Sadler Shares Impressions Gained In Europe and Near East

Dr. George W. Sadler, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, has returned to Richmond from a ten weeks' trip to mission fields in Europe and the Near East with three major impressions:

1. The lack of religious liberty in every country visited with the exception of England and Switzerland.

2. The fine spirit of Southern Baptist missionaries despite the fact that they are laboring in difficult areas.

3. The refugee situation in Gaza, one of the most baffling problems that ever confronted a group of officials.

Following the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in London, Dr. Sadler went to the Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon - Zurich, Switzerland, where he served as chairman of a Foreign Missions Conference made up of representatives from 26 nations. "In some ways this was a more interesting meeting than the one in London," he said.

After the Zurich conference, Dr. Sadler visited Italy, Spain,

Yugoslavia, Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, and Israel.

### Spain Worst Offender

Spain is the worst offender in withholding religious liberty, Dr. Sadler observed. Four Baptist churches continued to be closed by official orders of the Spanish government; two Baptist pastors in Madrid were refused permission to go to the meeting of the Alliance in London, although others were permitted to attend; and it is "well-nigh impossible for an evangelical Christian to get a Christian marriage or a decent burial." Government authorities will do almost anything to abridge the work of Baptists. For example, publication of the Baptist paper, El Echo, has been suspended.

However, the three missionary couples serving there have been granted two-year residence visas. And despite persecution, the work continues to grow, Dr. Sadler said, with an annual increase of about 15 per cent in membership. A Baptist seminary functions in Madrid with 11 students; and there is a fine spirit among the members of  
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## The Hand of . . .

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But a mystery scepters the flowing."

Yes, God has been and still is in humanity, and is still working through his "chosen vessels" the fulfillment of his beneficent plans for this universe. That great essayist, Carlyle, expressed the same sublime sentiments when he wrote, "For the faith in an invisible unnameable God-like presence everywhere in all that we see and work and suffer is the essence of all faith whatsoever; that faith once denied or—still worse—asserted with the lips only, and out of bound prayer-books only, what other thing remains believable?"

In the words of another scholar Carlyle is simply saying: "History becomes animated, and its dry bones live, when, and only when, you and I can hear the stately stepping of Almighty God, and feel His Almighty presence down through the centuries. Otherwise history would be sterile, barren, and the breath of Sahara sweeps over the plain, of death."

Implicit faith in Almighty God is absolutely essential in order to give his story a meaning. If there is no one who is directing our lives, and if there be no one motivating our efforts and achievements, then of what value is life? The same is true of our American way of life.

In this great crisis — and it seems that we have been in a crisis since the turn of this century — our national government of a higher power, for loftier and nobler ends, or there is no valid reason for its continued existence."

We must conclude that without a firm conviction that the Divine Hand of Providence is and has been shaping our destiny in this western world, all wars won by our dedicated forefathers would have been but mass homicide, and the greatest achievements of our national government and deeds of our heroes would have no value or significance beyond the passing moment." In short, we ask, why should our heroes lay down their lives on Normandy Beach and in Korea, and on a thousand battle fields to preserve our "American way of life," when our vaunted way of life "may not — as accident shall determine — be related to the future welfare of mankind?"

If there were no Divine Hand, no controlling intelligence to intervene, and intercede, what guarantee would America have that all the blood that has been shed for liberty, and to "make the world safe for Democracy," would not have been shed in vain? One of our slogans for more than 175 years has been "to fight for righteousness, and

to fight for liberty is to fight for our future." But what real assurance can Americans have that this future that we are wont to speak of with so much confidence shall claim its inheritance, if there be no superior and controlling wisdom, no God to rule and overrule, "if need be, our feeble efforts, and bring them to a happy consummation?"

"The facts of history force upon us the recognition of a Divine Being, God." It was Victor Hugo, who asked, "Was it possible for Napoleon to win the battle of Waterloo?" We answer in the negative. Why? We say "because of the German general, Blucher, and because of Wellington." But this is not the correct answer. Napoleon could not and did not win that decisive battle, because of God, whom he had never taken into account.

The student of history and political science knows only too well that a victory for that great military genius and ruthless dictator would not have harmonized with the democratic philosophy of our modern age. So God sent a rain storm that delayed Napoleon on that fateful day, and this gave the German general and his army their chance to appear on the battle field at the opportune moment.

Napoleon's biographers also say that despite his most careful planning and scanning of the battle field he failed to discover the deep ditches which swallowed up his battle-seasoned veterans as they charged across the plains. The biographers also tell us that while Bulow's guides were correctly informing him, Napoleon's guide was deceiving him. The cynics and carping critics of Christianity would have us believe that all of these so-called incidents were mere coincidents, or accidents or chance, but I must declare, if these be chance, "Eternal God did guide that chance."

That silver-tongued orator, and devout Christian, United States Senator Morris Shepard, expressed his belief on many notable occasions in the "Divine Hand of Providence in the making of history." He asked: "Can we question the especial aid of the Ruler of all worlds when we see the fog refuse to rise that August morning in 1776 until our army had retreated from almost certain annihilation on Long Island, and then some five years later observe the dawning daylight drive the escaping Cornwallis back to Yorktown and surrender? Can we deny the interposition of Divinity when in the gloomiest hours of the conflict we see the tattered Continentals retreat barefooted over frozen roads, crossing, when almost overtaken, the Catawba and the Yadkin, whose waters successively rose to delay their pur-

suers? Is it strange that after the decisive victory at Yorktown the Continental Congress immediately proceeded to a church, and, after expressing public thanks to God, proclaimed a day of national thanksgiving, in which the entire country joined most fervently?"

In our Spanish-American war for Cuban independence we see these same so-called little things or incidents which bespeak the intervention of the Divine Hand in the affairs of men and nations. An eminent writer mentioned some of these when he said, "The storms which at this summer season are so common in the Caribbean Sea, and any one of which might have dispersed if not destroyed the American fleet, were conspicuously absent."

It was not American strategy that delayed the rainy season in Cuba. The events which left Dewey no option but to sail into the harbor of Manila after the Spanish fleet are as significant as his decisive victory when he encountered that fleet.

Events wholly beyond our control might have thwarted our best endeavors; events wholly beyond our control have cooperated with us."

Historians cannot — in fact do not attempt to explain these events, nor can they explain the "miracle of Dunkirk" on the theory of chance. We Americans who subscribe to the doctrine of manifest destiny — and most of us do — can see in all of these significant events the hand of Almighty God. Indeed we would not if we could, and could not if we would get rid of the thought of "Divine interposition" in the affairs of nations.

It was Henry Watterson, who asked these thought provoking questions: "Why should Washington the Virginia planter, be chosen to lead the continental armies? Why was Franklin the representative of the colonies



Shown above is Dr. Howard E. Spell, academic dean of Mississippi College, speaking to the members of the Ministerial Association at their first meeting of the year. A large number of ministerial students were present to hear Dean Spell who charged the students to prepare themselves for a lifetime of Christian service. (MC photo by Virgil McBride)

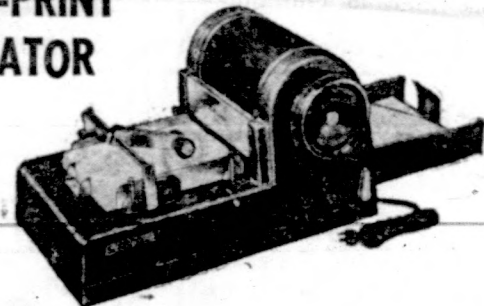
in Paris during the American revolution? Philosophers may argue as they will, and rationalism may draw its conclusions, but the mysterious Power unexplained by either has, from the beginning of time, ruled the destinies of man."

Such testimony, and that of a "cloud of witnesses" down

through the centuries have caused our profound historians to come to the inevitable conclusion that the "recognition of God is reasonable; and that there is an intelligence greater than ours, which is ever guiding men and nations and bringing to pass results not dreamed of in our (Continued on Page 4)

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## Hats Off To The Laymen

On next Sunday, October 9, churches in Mississippi and throughout the Southern Baptist Convention will observe Layman's Day. The church honors laymen for the part that they have in its program. Anyone is uninformed indeed who does not recognize that laymen do far more than we normally give them credit for. Our churches challenge them to even a greater participation.

There is a special place for laymen in our world-wide mission. In the Sunday School they are challenged to either be a teacher or a pupil. In the morning worship service they have a high honor of blending their spirits with that of others in the worship of our Savior. In the Training Union they are either in training or helping to train in church membership. In the evening worship service and on Wednesday evening they can do what many do not do—attend.

Layman's Day observance is sponsored by the Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood in cooperation with the Brotherhood Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Brotherhood is a church-centered organization of men who are seeking to promote, with their pastor, the whole program of their church.

The major purposes of Brotherhood are to provide a medium of fellowship for all the men of the church, inform men concerning the full program of the church, and use men in church centered activity.

The major activities for 1955 are in the realm of evangelism, stewardship, boys' work, and the Cooperative Program.

In Mississippi to date there are almost 600 Baptist churches with organized Brotherhoods. Scores of churches without Brotherhoods will observe Layman's Day. Christ asks more than your best; he asks your all.

—BR—

## Makes First Gift

Most Mississippi Baptist churches are supporters of Baptist work through the Cooperative Program and send regular contributions for that purpose. However, a few Mississippi churches, for reasons probably known to themselves, do not make any contributions through the Cooperative Program.

There is one less of that kind of church now, for last week a church in South Mississippi sent by their pastor a contribution of \$64.05 to be used for Cooperative Program purposes.

Any other churches that have not made contributions this year through the Cooperative Program are urged to remember this church and do their best.

—BR—

## Helping Students To Go To College

Many Churches have discovered (and many more should) that they face a double task concerning Christian Education: (1) In supporting our Baptist colleges and (2) in supporting our students and aiding them to get a college education

in a Christian atmosphere, in a Christian college.

While not all of our Baptist boys and girls can or should go to our Baptist colleges, many of them should who either go nowhere or go elsewhere.

We continually put on drives for the support of our colleges; that is as it should be. However, we also need to provide those colleges with students as well as dormitories and teachers. Tuition costs have increased, living costs have increased, teachers' salaries have increased. All these make it more and more difficult for students to finance a college education.

We know of a few churches that provide scholarships, as well as monthly financial aid for worthy, deserving and promising students who need help.

If each one of Mississippi's more than 1700 churches would provide the financial aid for just one student, our colleges would have 1700 more students. Divided among our four colleges, the enrolment would increase approximately 400 each. That would help the schools and it certainly would help 1700 young people.

Later on they will come back into various communities and most of them would take leading parts in the promotion of God's work.

—BR—

## An Ideal Deacon

Someone has sent us a clipping from the Evangel concerning an ideal deacon. We are glad to pass this on for our readers' benefit, and also to express the dream that we could be the pastor of a church with all the deacons meeting the ideal as outlined below:

My ideal deacon would be in regular attendance at all services of the church, morning and evening worship, Sunday School, Training Union, and Prayer Service. By his presence at each of these services, he adds much, by his

absence, although he may not oppose the particular service, he causes much harm.

My ideal deacon would be a tither. The ideal deacon sets the pattern for his brethren in faithful stewardship of his possessions through the proper use of his portion and the giving to God of His share.

My ideal deacon would not be near-sighted. He would see beyond the needs and wants of his congregation, out to the last person on this earth without Christ.

My ideal deacon would be a soul-winner. His heart would beat with a passion to see men saved. He would follow the footsteps of Phillip in presenting the claims of Christ to whomsoever God might bring across his pathway.

My ideal deacon would be my personal friend. He would be the one to whom I could go to and talk things over. He would be a counsellor, a confidant, a comforter, a companion, a friend.

There are not many ideal deacons, as there are not many ideal pastors, but, bless their hearts; there are many who are doing their best "to use the office of deacon well" and are "pure and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus," chasing to themselves a good degree

## Our Readers Write

### POLLUTING THE LORD'S SUPPER

A while ago I was in a service of a Baptist church in Mississippi. It was Lord's Supper day. The pastor preached a real good sermon for the occasion. However, as he did it he repeatedly held up a ten cent box of soda crackers saying, "This represents the precious body of our lovely Lord Jesus."

When he was ready for the supper

service he asked me to assist him in the breaking of the bread. I refused. When the crackers were broken he called on me to offer thanks. Again I refused. I could not ask God to bless those crackers and call it the bread of the Lords Supper. The bread, to represent the body of Jesus, must be unleavened. As well use coco-cola for the cup, or fruit of the vine, as to use crackers for the bread.

Wine cannot be used to represent the blood of Christ in the Lord's Supper. Jesus, in Matt. 26:29 and Mark 14:25 called the cup, "The fruit of the vine." It could not be fermented and represent the blood of Jesus. The Meat Offering, made of fine flour, as recorded in Leviticus, second chapter, represents Jesus Christ in His perfect manhood, as he offers Himself to God the Father. His was a perfect body. To thus represent Himself there can be nothing impure in the emblems of the Lord's Supper.

The oil in the Meat Offering represents the Holy Spirit. The oil was mingled in and poured on the offering. This represented the Holy Spirit both in the conception and in the work of Jesus. The Holy Spirit does nothing of Himself. Christ works through Him.

"The frankincense presents that, in the life of Christ, which was exclusively for God The Father." C.H.M.

The neglect of this most sacred service in many churches today is sad indeed. There are grown people in many of our churches who have never witnessed the service of the Lord's Supper. Jesus said, "As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, ye do show forth the Lord's death till he come. This do in remembrance of me."

The two ordinances, baptism and the Lord's Supper, given to the church by Jesus are co-equal in value. They both point to the sacrificial death of Jesus for the sin of the whole world. Baptists would not dare to leave off baptism. We cannot afford to leave off the Lords Supper. May God help us.

W. T. Darling, Dorsey, Miss.

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## Woman's Missionary Union

President—MISS ALMARINE BROWN, Jackson  
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### Speaker for District Meetings



Miss Vera Campbell

Miss Vera Campbell, a missionary to Japan has served as a teacher in the women's department of Seinan Gakuen, Fukuoka. Miss Campbell is a native Georgian, a graduate of Southwestern Seminary. She will be the speaker in 4 of the district meetings as follows:

- District 6—Newton, October 25
- District 5—Ackerman, October 26
- District 4—Pontotoc, October 27
- District 3—Grenada, October 28

### MARGARET FUND STUDENTS

We have two Margaret Fund students in colleges of our state this fall:

- Marylu Moore, Blue Mountain College whose parents are missionaries to Italy.
- Earnest Johnson, Miss. College, whose parents are missionaries to Brazil.

—BR—

### Shelves Built With Lottie Moon Gifts

They call it "Little Ridgecrest" in Taiwan and it means to the Christians of the nationalist island what Ridgecrest and Glorieta do to Southern Baptists. There are two new dormitories on the hillside now, one built with Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, the other with extra money from the missionary's home town. Those new dormitories doubled conference attendance last summer.

Want to know what kind of dormitory you built? A 50' x 19' room with five big windows on each side, large doors and two windows at the ends. A wide aisle runs from front to back door. On either side are upper and lower "shelves," six feet wide, the length of the room. These shelves are covered with thick grass sleeping

### VISUAL AIDS ON "THE MOSLEM WORLD"

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Challenge of Moslem World—\$3.50

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In the World — \$3.50. (This filmstrip is on the work of the "Lottie Moon Offering" and will be a big help in preparation for the observance of the Foreign Mission Week of Prayer).

FILMS (Rental):

Balm in Gilead — \$5.00

Recruits for Christ — \$2.00  
(This is primarily to help young people know of the needs and be faced with the call to their lives).

### Speaker for District Meetings



Miss Mary Neal Morgan

Miss Mary Neal Morgan is home for her first furlough from Osaka, Japan where she served as an evangelistic worker. Miss Morgan is a native Kentuckian, a graduate of the WMU Training School (Caver School). She will be the speaker in these district meetings:

- District 2—Clarksdale, First, Nov. 1
- District 1—Clinton, November 2
- District 7—Richton, November 3
- District 8—McComb, First, Nov. 4

mats. Sixteen people sleep on each of the four shelves.

And the conferences mean souls won to Christ, lives dedicated, the kingdom of our Lord advanced. Thanks to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. What can we do more this year?

—BR—

The Sabbath is the shadow of Christ on the hot highway of time. We pause in it as in a shelter from the heat, and are refreshed. —Robert E. Speer

## J. L. Cook Accepts Macedonia Pastorate

Rev. John L. Cook, Jr. has resigned the pastorate of the Mt. Vernon Church, Lauderdale Association, to accept the pastorate of the Macedonia Church, Lauderdale Association.

During the six and a half years that he has been at the Mt. Vernon Church a brick veneer sanctuary has been built and paid for in less than two years. Not only has the membership shown an increase; but the church has developed into a fully organized program consisting of Sunday School, Training Union, W. M. U., and Brotherhood. The church's financial program has doubled making it possible for increased gifts to go to the Cooperative Program and mission causes.

Rev. Cook is a graduate of Mississippi College and is a third year student at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary where he will continue his studies commuting between Meridian and New Orleans.

—BR—

## Pleasant Valley Ordains Pastor

Rev. Ace McVay, native of Florela, Alabama and graduate of Mississippi College, is the new pastor at Pleasant Valley Church in Simpson County. This is his first pastorate.

Mr. McVay was ordained at the Pleasant Valley Church on Sunday, September 25. Rev. N. B. Langford, Jr., pastor at D'Lo brought the ordination message; Rev. N. F. Davis, pastor at Mendenhall, brought the charge to the candidate; Rev. John Schoolar, pastor at Poplar Springs (Simpson), brought the charge to the church; and Rev. E. C. Smith, pastor at Gum Springs (Simpson), presented the Bible.

—BR—

## The Hand of . . .

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philosophy." Even the casual student of American Revolution and the War Between the States knows that our forefathers did not fire the "shots heard round the world" at Concord and at Lexington in order to fight for freedom from the mother country. Nor did the Federals invade the South in order to emancipate the slaves. You know that Lincoln had said time and again that he had no intention of ever interfering with the institution of slavery where it existed. You also know from your study of economic history that slavery would no doubt have been voluntarily abolished by the South before the end of the century without that bloody civil strife, and with compensation to the owners.

What was it then that brought about these larger results and vaster issues, that is the

thirteenth amendment, which officially abolished negro slavery, and the complete independence of our thirteen colonies?

There is only one logical answer, as I have long since discovered, and that answer is "The Divine Hand of Providence in the making of history."

The superficial critics of religion would have us believe that Christianity is nothing more or less than superstition. But profound students of history and government — and it has been my happy privilege to "sit at the feet" of a number of them — have taught me that the recognition of a Divine Being is manly and reasonable.

I was intrigued in my study of European history by the remarkable exploits of the great Protestant general, Augustus Adolphus. That consecrated hero was, in his earlier career, one of the greatest of conquerors. The real secret of his astounding successes was without doubt his prayer life. According to authentic history, it was his custom, and that of his devout and devoted soldiers, to kneel in prayer before engaging the enemy in battle. And just as long as they practised this custom they emerged victoriously.

George Washington, the father of our country, also thought it reasonable and manly to recognize Almighty God, not only during all the dark days of the revolution, but also at all times in his long and distinguished career. In his last address be-

## Foreign Mission Bd. Has Permit To Buy Property In Spain

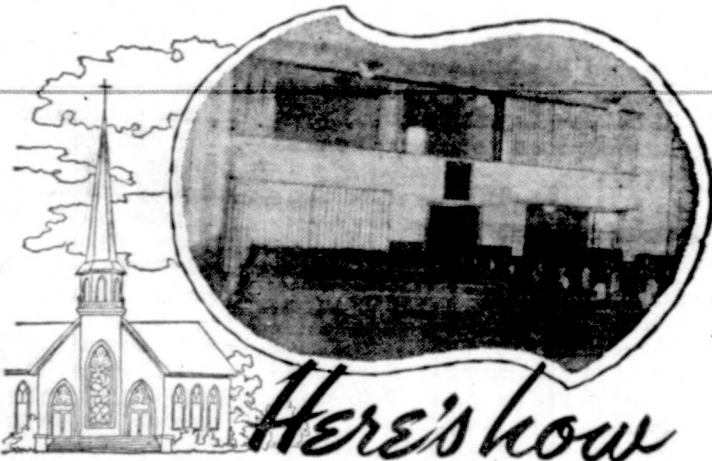
Representatives of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in Spain have been given permission to buy property in Malaya.

For a number of years the Board has been unable to buy property in Spain; and this particular request had been pending for four years. The property will be purchased in the name of the Foreign Mission Board.

It has been suggested that it is difficult to know whether or not this will be an isolated case or whether it means that things will be a bit easier relative to properties in the future.

fore retiring as commander in chief he acknowledged the Supreme Ruler of the universe, when he said: "If my conduct has merited the confidence of my fellow citizens, and has been instrumental in obtaining for my country blessing of peace and freedom, I owe it to that Supreme Being who guides the hearts of all, who has so signally interposed his aid in every stage of the contest; and who has graciously been pleased to bestow on me the greatest of earthly rewards — the approbation and affection of free people."

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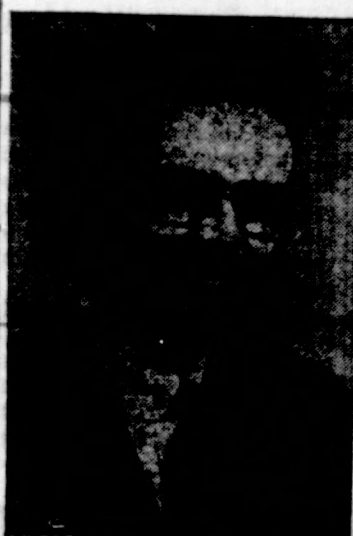


## Lottie Moon Gifts Provide Building

For ten years we had had a Sunday school in the clubhouse at Corn Mill Camp here on Maui Island in Hawaii. But in a place not our own we could not project a real program. How we rejoiced when we heard we could have \$10,000 from the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for property!

I had talked with our Father often about a good centrally located corner lot and asked him to give it to us if it was his choice. When the money came I learned it was not on the market. But it seemed to be the best lot for us so I kept praying and soon I was told it was to be sold. The Lord opened up things and we bought it for \$5,000.

That didn't leave enough for any kind of building. But the Lord led and friends worked and we were able to buy an old army house and move it to the lot. We cleaned and moved partitions and fixed windows and made some tables and were ready just in time for vacation Bible school. Plumbing was finished but electric wiring couldn't be done so when commencement time came we had it at 5:30 instead of 7:30. There were 102 enrolled, many new children who had not come to Sunday school so now we are ready for a real program of enlistment and evangelism.



David K. Alexander

Shown above is David K. Alexander, who is editor of publications and materials produced by the Student Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

He holds the M. R. E. degree from Southwestern Seminary, and was former director of the Baptist Student Union in Nashville schools and colleges.

Thanks to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. But don't you think a real church would be better than a makeshift one? What can you do without to enlarge your Lottie Moon Christmas Offering gift?

## First Church, Macon Makes Church Survey

"Putting Macon On The Map" was the theme used for the Church Field Survey conducted by the members of the First Church, Macon, Mississippi, under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. Ivor L. Clark.

In addition to the survey of the possibilities of the field, progress has been made in the church program.

Six young deacons have been elected and will be ordained October 2. They are Leon "Red" Walker, Julius Klaus, Evan Dossett, J. D. Nolen, Broox Sledge and T. S. Boggess, Jr.

The church has adopted the Unified Budget plan and will finance her program through the Sunday School.

A church library has been established. Miss Ann Hunter is Librarian. The Church Music Department has been organized, on par with the other departments of the church, and Mrs. W. W. Whitten has become Director.

The most outstanding thing in the new budget is in the field of missions. Gifts for the Co-operative Program have increased one hundred fifty per cent.

## Deerbrook Celebrates Tenth Anniversary

The Deerbrook Baptist Church, Noxubee County, recently celebrated her tenth anniversary on September 21.

Rev. R. D. Pearson who organized the church, assisted by Earl Halbert, gave interesting data on the early days of the church and Mrs. Harvey Haggard, church historian, reviewed some of the milestone experiences of the church. Rev. Tom Douglas, one of the former pastors, preached the anniversary sermon.

During the ten year period since organization, the church had forty baptisms and no deaths.

Rev. John W. Atchley has been pastor of the church eight

months and during that time a full-time Baptist Training Union has been added to the church program.

In 1951 the church began a "Harvest Festival" which has been instrumental in the building program advancement and helping to meet the budget. Monday, September 26, seven calves and one hog were given to the church. The proceeds will be used to enlarge the educational facilities of the church.

—BR—

One hasn't gone far in his Christianity if he frets about Sunday; if the observance of it is irksome to him; if it is a burden, and not wings, a task and not a tool.

## W. O. HEDGEPATH

W. O. Hedgepath, pioneer citizen of Laurel and prominently identified in church and civic enterprises for more than half a century died Sept. 23.

He died at a Laurel hospital following an illness of long duration.

Funeral services were conducted from Second Avenue church with Dr. Levon Moore, pastor, the Rev. W. E. Hellen and the Rev. Bryan Simmons officiating.

Born January 3, 1874, at Chester, South Carolina, he moved to Laurel from Durham, North Carolina, in 1903.

He served as superintendent of Laurel Mills; head of the relief program under E. R. A.; and chairman of the Jones County Welfare Department.

A charter member of West Laurel church, he was instrumental in its organization and served 17 years as superintendent of the Sunday School. He was a Deacon of West Laurel church, and later of Second Avenue church.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Mary Smallwood Hedgepath, Laurel; a sister, Mrs. W. A. Wherry, Lexington, S. C.; and a host of nieces and nephews.

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## 1956 Calendar of Activities 1956

March 19-23 "Magnify Church Membership Week"

April 1-8 Youth Week ..... in every church

April 7 Baptist Youth Night.....in every association

May 6-13 Christian Home Week

June 4-22 District Training Union Conventions

Date	Location
June 4	Senatobia, First Baptist Church
June 5	New Albany, First Baptist Church
June 7	Iuka, First Baptist Church
June 8	West Point, First Baptist Church
June 11	Meadville, First Baptist Church
June 12	Columbia, First Baptist Church
June 14	Lucedale, First Baptist Church
June 15	Enterprise, First Baptist Church
June 18	Belzoni, First Baptist Church
June 19	Greenwood, First Baptist Church
June 21	Macon, First Baptist Church
June 22	Brandon, First Baptist Church

Note: Select the meeting closest to you and plan to attend. Listings of associations by districts which will appear later will be suggestive and not mandatory.

July 2-7 Mississippi Baptist Training Union Assembly: First Week At the new Gulf Coast Assembly, Pass Christian, Miss.

July 9-14 Mississippi Baptist Training Union Assembly: Second Week at the new Gulf Coast Assembly, Pass Christian, Miss.

July 19-25 Southwide Training Union Leadership Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina

Note: Mississippi will participate this week in the Intermediate Sword Drill and the Young People's Speakers' Tournament.

July 26 Southwide Training Union Leadership Assembly

Ridgecrest, North Carolina

August 6-10 State Finals: Junior Memory Work Drill

August 6	Indianola, First
August 7	Pontotoc, First
August 9	Columbia, First
August 10	Newton, First

October 23-26 Training Union Leadership Workshops  
 For all Nursery, Beginner, Primary, Junior and Intermediate workers in the churches and associations.

October 23	Hattiesburg, First
October 25	North Greenwood Baptist Church
October 26	Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo

November 6-9 Associational Officers' Planning Meetings

November 6	Oxford, First Baptist Church
November 8	Canton, First Baptist Church
November 9	Hattiesburg, Main Street Baptist Church

December 3 "M" Night in every association.

Dr. Robert E. Humphreys has resigned the pastorate of the First Church, Owensborough, Kentucky. Dr. Humphrey has been pastor of this church for 28 years and now plans to do evangelistic and supply preaching.

Wallace R. Rogers is leaving the pastorate of the Citadel Square Baptist Church, Charleston, South Carolina, to accept the pastorate of the Down Town Baptist Church, Corpus Christi, Texas.

## Patterson To Preach



Dr. E. N. Patterson

Dr. E. N. Patterson of the New Orleans Seminary will be the guest speaker for the Stewardship Revival at the First Church, Inverness, on October 14-16.

—BR—

## Beat Four Mission Constituted

The Beat Four Baptist Mission in Wayne County was organized into a Baptist church Sunday afternoon, September 18, with 36 members. The mission was begun May 16, 1955 by the Pleasant Grove Church, in cooperation with the missions committee of the Wayne Association. The present Sunday school enrolment is 98, and the services are held in a tent.

Rev. Tracy B. Barnett, Jr., pastor of Calvary Church, Waynesboro, and moderator of the association was elected moderator of the council at the organizational meeting. Rev. Eldie F. Hicks, pastor of the First Church, Waynesboro, preached the sermon. This makes the second church to be organized this year in Wayne county, and brings the total churches in that association to 25. Rev. James L. Harrell, superintendent of missions of Wayne Association was called as interim pastor.

A Statement of Purpose, Church Covenant, and Articles of Faith, were read and adopted by the newly organized church, and a committee was appointed to study various names which had been suggested.

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## Mississippi Seminary To Open On Oct. 10

The Mississippi Baptist Seminary, Central Center, Jackson, will begin its 1955-56 session on Monday, October 10, 1955.

The Opening Program will be in the Seminary chapel, 510 North Farish Street, on Monday, October 10, 1955 at 7:30 P. M. The Reverend Samuel L. Whitney, newly elected dean, will be the Speaker.

Dr. Robert L. Lang, is the Seminary President.

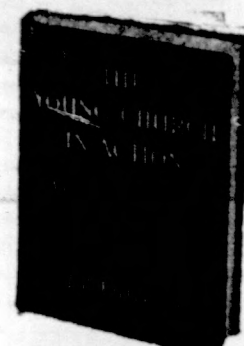
## First, Batesville Has Kick-Off Banquet

First Church, Batesville, had its Kick-Off Banquet Thursday night, September 29, with 120 Teachers and Officers present. It was for the purpose of launching the work of the church for the new church year which begins October 1.

The Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Brotherhood President, W. M. U. President, and Chairman of the Deacons joined the Pastor in urging that this be the

best year First Baptist has ever enjoyed. Dr. Landrum Leavell, pastor of First Church, Charleston, was the featured speaker.

Every organization of the church has shown marked improvement both in attendance and interest. The Sunday School averaged last month 474 and the Training Union averaged 184. Sixty-eight Training Union workers were enrolled last week in a Training Union study course. A proposed budget of \$35,000 was presented to the church Sunday, October 2. Rev. Carl Duck is pastor.



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### Church Membership Obligates . . .

By BERNARD KING

There are numbers of reasons why a man might go to church. A sense of duty compels it; one's position in the community demands it; a real sense of personal need requires it. Each of these is inadequate as in each instance the individual is receiving. True worship is a matter of giving rather than receiving. The blessings received in worship result from giving one's self rather than seeking benefits.

#### Responsibility of Membership

The man in the church pew is in a different position from the man attending a public meeting. Church membership means responsibility. A man who is a member of a church is truly a member of the body of Christ and, as Paul reminds us, every member has its functions. In no instance can a man properly consider his church membership in the same light as his lodge or club membership where the obligation is to one's own. The membership does not own the church. The membership belongs to the church. The obligation is not derived from the fact of possession but exists because one belongs.

#### The Satisfaction of Service

A man has no greater privilege nor obligation than to serve his Lord through the church where he belongs. This is important because Christ commands that we serve. It is important because a church is dependent upon the service of members in doing the things Christ commands.

This is important because a

man's spiritual strength is dependent upon his serving. Just as physical food generates physical energy so does spiritual food (worship, Scripture reading, prayer, etc.) generate spiritual energy. Energy must have an outlet. The proper outlet for spiritual energy is Christian service. The best avenue for Christian service is within the program of the church where one belongs. This is what the church is for.

There are several channels of service available to every man. There are those things a man can do alone at his own convenience. People who are not attending the services of the church should be invited. A man can invite them. It takes no longer to say "we missed you at church" than to make a reference to the weather or to say, "how's business?" The unsaved should be witnessed to, and a man who knows Christ can "sell" Him to others. The sick are to be visited. A tract in the hands of a man who shares it with others is a real witness. A man with the desire to serve can be busy.

Within the regular services of the church there are many opportunities for service. A man with a good voice should find his place in the choir. A man who can teach should be teaching. A man with a way with boys should be leading them. Everything the church is doing represents people doing things. A man is obligated to keep looking for his place. The church is obligated to provide the place.

—BR—

Joining the church of itself will not save a man's soul, but it saves his life to a useful purpose after his soul is saved.

## Bob Denny Accepts World Youth Post

WASHINGTON —(BP)— The Baptist World Alliance office here has announced that Robert S. (Bob) Denny, student worker in the Southern Baptist Convention, will join its staff about Jan. 1.

Theodore F. Adams, Alliance president, said Denny will serve as youth secretary and as associate general secretary of the Alliance.

In his new position, Denny, a layman, will plan Baptist Youth Conferences held every five years, which are attended by Baptist young people the world over.

He also will assist in arranging for sessions of the Baptist World Congress every five years and in editing BWA publications.

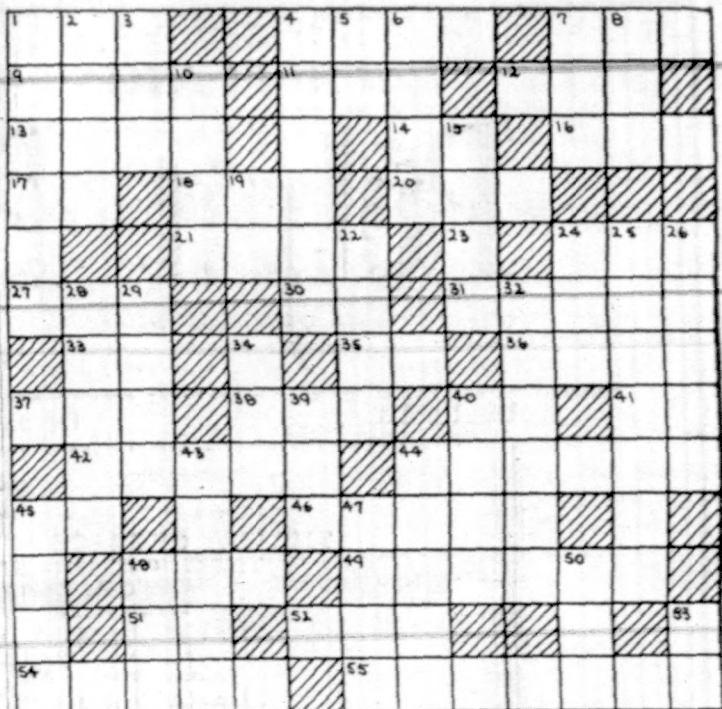
Denny will move to Washington from Nashville, where for 10 years he has been on the student department staff of the Sunday School Board.

A graduate of the University of Kentucky, with degrees in business and law, 41-year-old Denny skipped both professions to enter religious work after graduating. He has been in religious work 16 years.

After serving as Baptist Student secretary at Louisiana State University, Denny was director of religious activities at Baylor University before going to Nashville.

Although elected by the Baptist World Congress in July, Alliance officers needed to work out details of the new position before Denny could accept. They did this in a meeting recently.

Denny has served as chairman of the Alliance youth committee, a non-salaried post, for five years. As youth secretary, he succeeds Joel Sorensen, of Sweden.



### AARON'S ROD BUDS, BLOSSOMS, AND BEARS ALMONDS

Numbers 17

#### ACROSS

- 1 "And . . . Lord spake unto Moses, saying" :1
- 4 "write thou every . . . name upon his rod" :2
- 7 "take of every one of them a . . ." :2
- 9 "on the morrow Moses . . . into the tabernacle" :8
- 11 Money of account
- 12 "they looked, and took every . . . his rod" :9
- 13 "for . . . prince one" :6
- 14 Milliliter (abbr.)
- 16 Household animal
- 17 Low Dutch (abbr.)
- 18 Aaron (abbr.)
- 20 Dine
- 21 Objective pronoun
- 23 "where . . . will meet with you" :4
- 24 Edward (abbr.)
- 27 Electric horsepower (abbr.)
- 30 West Africa (abbr.)
- 31 One who dares
- 33 Over all (abbr.)
- 35 Knight of St. Andrew (abbr.)
- 36 and 49 across "the rod of Aaron for the house of . . . was . . ." :8
- 37 "Moses brought . . . all the rods" :9
- 38 Sheltered side
- 40 State Militia (abbr.)
- 41 "And . . . came to pass" :8

42 Auxiliary verb used in expressing a promise

44 Select

45 "to . . . kept for a token" :10

46 "and the rod of . . . was among their rods" :6

48 "And thou shalt . . . them up in the tabernacle" :4

49 See 36 across

51 East Indies (abbr.)

52 "take away their murmurings from me, that they . . . not" :10

54 Same as 42 across

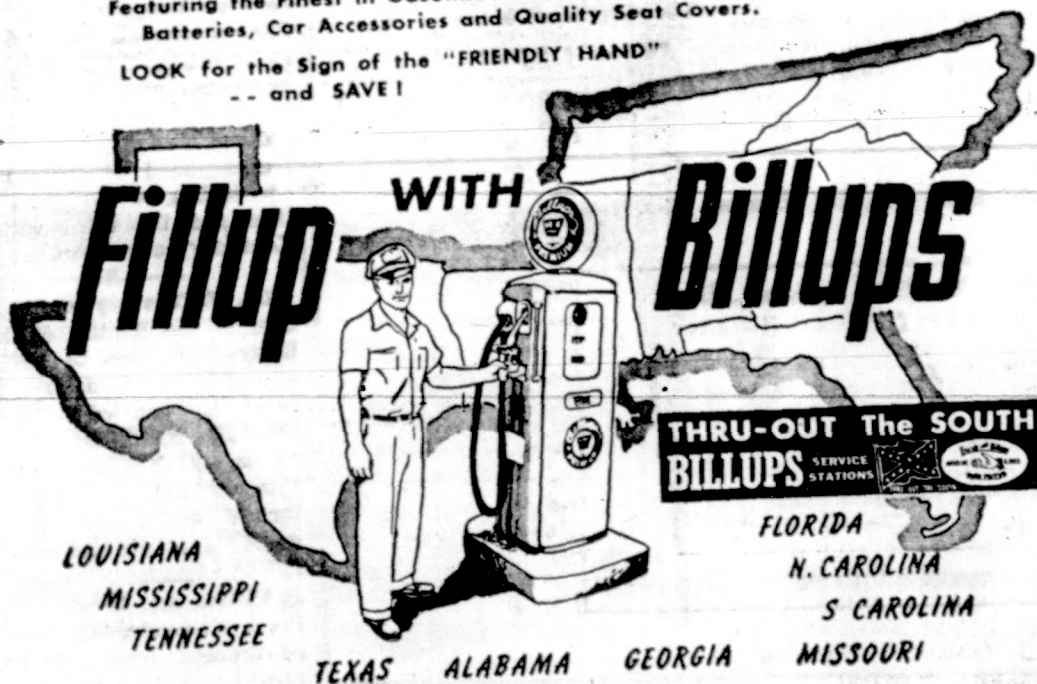
55 "brought forth buds, and bloomed . . . s" :8

Our text is 1, 4, 7, 21, 23, 42, 44, 54 and 55 combined

#### DOWN

- 1 Number of rods Moses took
- 2 "for one rod shall be for the . . . of the house" :3
- 3 Encyclopedia (abbr.)
- 4 "Even to . . . the Lord will shew who are his" Num. 16:5
- 5 Capital of Moab Num. 21:15
- 6 See 26 down
- 7 Light knock
- 8 "every . . . of their princes gave him a rod apiece" :6
- 10 Melt
- 15 "Moses . . . up the rods before the Lord" :7
- 19 Exclamation of triumph
- 22 "I will . . . to cease from me the murmurings" :5
- 24 Before
- 25 Schemed
- 26 and 6 down "thou shalt . . . Aaron's . . . upon the rod of Levi" :3
- 28 "according to their fathers' . . . s" :6
- 29 Track
- 32 "and yielded . . . s" :8
- 34 "of . . . their princes according to the house of their fathers" :2
- 39 Guido's high note
- 40 Wearing shoes
- 43 Benefit
- 44 Merciless
- 45 Baseball clubs
- 47 First month of the Jewish sacred year
- 48 Meadow
- 50 Being
- 53 Part of the verb 'to be'

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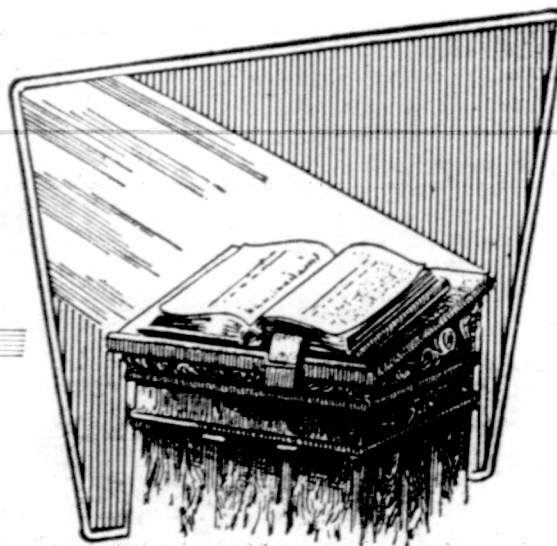
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That sick Filipino, so worn, so sad, don't you want him to have a chance to get well at our clean white hospital in Mati?

That cultured Chinese gentleman has prayed to his idols and waited while the months stretch into years yet he has heard no word from the other members of his family back in China, don't you think he should have the comfort of knowing a Saviour who will walk with him and lift his burden of loneliness? One of the men in the Hong Kong Seminary, or in Taiwan, or Thailand, or Indonesia or Malaya, or the Philippines may reach him (he is in all those countries) and tell him as you help to keep those seminaries open through your Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

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— BR —

#### INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — (BP)

The first statewide fellowship meeting of Southern Baptists in Indiana was held here recently under sponsorship of Baptist agencies in Kentucky and Illinois. There are three associations with a total of 61 Southern Baptist churches in Indiana. Two of the associations are affiliated with the Illinois convention of Southern Baptists and the third with the Kentucky convention.

— BR —

Dr. F. Townley Lord, president of the Baptist World Alliance from 1950 to 1955, has written a short history of the Alliance, entitled BAPTIST WORLD FELLOWSHIP. The 185-page book is the first history ever written of the organization formed 50 years ago. He traces its development and writes of its outstanding personalities. Published by the Broadman Press, Nashville, the book may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store. Price: \$1.75



# GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

## Ridgecrest, Jackson

While Pastor Fred Tarpley was leading a revival at Hillcrest Church in Jackson, we had the privilege of supplying at Ridgecrest, Jackson. Ridgecrest is one of the few churches at which we have preached where the attendance is as good at the night service as it is at the morning service.

The people are enthusiastic about the pastor. In fact, they are enthusiastic about their church. The auditorium is now under construction. An educational building was completed several months ago. The Sunday school had a record attendance of 421 and also reported 236 contacts during the week.

There were six additions at the two services Sunday.

Record readers in Hinds County are now listed as follows: BETHESDA, 47; BROWNSVILLE (BEULAH), 57; BOLTON, 29; BYRAM, 110; CHAPEL HILL, 30; CLINTON, 290; EDWARDS, 69; ELRAINE, 81; ALTA WOODS, 292; CALVARY, 1509; DANIEL MEMORIAL, 605; CRESTWOOD, 328; EMMANUEL, 59; JACKSON, FIRST, 1352; GRIFFITH MEMORIAL, 202; NORTHSIDE, 535; PARKWAY, 868; ROBINSON STREET, 145; VAN WINKLE, 372; SOUTHSIDE, 384; WEST, 229; TEMPLE, 42; Learned, 13; RIDGECREST, 200; HILLCREST, 153; MIDWAY, 78; WESTVIEW, 122; Old Byram, 18; PALESTINE, 22; POCAHONTAS, 27; RAYMOND, 112; SALEM, 40; FOREST HILL, 71; TERRY, 108; UTICA, 88; NEW HAVEN, 23; CALVARY MISSION, 54; HIGHLAND, 72; BROADMOOR, 254; MAGNOLIA PARK, 29; McDOWELL ROAD, 97.

## Children's Home Drops Individual Sponsors

HAPEVILLE, Ga. — (BP) — Georgia Baptist Children's Home here has discontinued its policy of individual sponsorship of children. The policy allowed Sunday school classes and friends of the children's home to provide special favors to individual children they sponsored.

John C. Warr, general manager of the home, explained that children who were not sponsored by anyone, "built up and held resentment when they were not chosen." It caused problems between those receiving special favors and those not receiving them.

He encouraged groups and individuals to direct their help through the churches to the general operational fund or send it directly to the home.

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## NEGROES APPRECIATE THE BAPTIST RECORD

More and more our Negro Baptist brethren are realizing the importance of the Baptist Record in Mississippi Baptist life.

Recently the pastor of one of the leading Negro Baptist churches in Jackson wrote, "For some time now I have been a regular subscriber to the Baptist Record. Yesterday I suggested to the group of worshippers in our church that they would have nothing to lose and much to gain by subscribing to the Baptist Record."

The result of this announcement was that 15 people subscribed.

The majority of the churches in Mississippi have the Baptist Record as part of their program but still there are some that do not have it. We believe that if they would even do as much as this brother has done they would have some subscribers.

## My Favorite Bible Verse

I By Mrs. Lee Elam, Desoto

"Ye shall not respect persons in judgment but ye shall hear the small as well as the great; Ye shall not be afraid of the face of man for the judgment of God's and the cause that is to hard for you bring it unto me and I will hear it." Duet. 1:17

II By Mrs. Walter Cost, Pittsboro

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, said the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pur you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3:10

III. By Mrs. Floyd Smith Wesson

"Blessed is the man that endureth temptations: for when he is tried he shall receive the crown of life which the Lord hath promised to them that love him." James 1:12

IV. By Lt. Governor Carroll Gartin

"Be strong and of good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them; for the Lord thy God He it is that doth go with thee; He will not fail thee nor forsake thee." Deut. 31:6

—BR—

## A Wonderful List

Let your eye run down the list of allocations for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for 1955 and picture the work represented there. There are missionary salaries, current expenses for many schools; there is money for publication of necessary materials for schools

and churches; there are hospitals and clinic expenses; there are books for libraries, rents for chapels, salaries for national evangelists — do you see them with "the eyes of your heart"?

You know how Paul puts it—"the eyes of your heart being enlightened." Let your heart look out and see and feel the tug of all these \$3,500,000 worth of causes that want your gift and then look at your money and your Christmas plans: have you really let your heart decide your Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in the light of your love for Christ and the needs you see when you look with your heart's eyes?

## Puzzle Answers

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MRS. ADA RUTLEDGE

Mrs. Ada Rutledge, formerly head of the Department of Childhood Religious Education, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, on August 1 became superintendent of Nursery work in the Baptist Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department.

We welcome her to this place of great opportunity among Southern Baptists.

## THE SIX ADULT CONFERENCES

December 29-30 there will be six Adult Regional Sunday School Conferences in the Southern Baptist Convention. Since Adults will be one of the special emphases for this year, these conferences are to help along this line.

The meeting places of these six conferences are: Norfolk, Va., Mobile, Ala., Memphis, Tenn., Dallas, Texas, Kansas City, Mo., Los Angeles, Calif.

Of course, the Mobile and Memphis conferences are the ones for our Mississippi people. And the fact that Mississippi is directly between these two places makes it very convenient for our people to attend without traveling a great distance.

So, Adult leaders, begin making your plans to have as many of your workers as possible attend one of these conferences. It is a great opportunity, so let's make it count for the very most in reaching and helping adults.

Each person makes his own arrangements as to room and meals.

## SCOTT AND RIVERSIDE CAMPAIGNS

The two weeks of September 12-15 and September 19-22 were used in Central associational Sunday school campaigns in Scott and Riverside associations.

The program was good, the spirit excellent and the cooperation of all was very encouraging.

The Central school is one of

the most constructive types of work we promote. In this way each worker has the opportunity of being in the class that deals with the very age-group in which he or she works in the home school. It is helpful both in the reaching program of the school and very especially so in the efficiency part of it.

The Simultaneous campaign will reach more people, for then there is a worker in each church. Also, the book then is usually one on general administration, which is always a very helpful and needed kind of study.

So, the associational program, either Central or Simultaneous, will get the job done easier, quicker and better than any other way. Of course, this should not at all hinder each school having other courses from time to time. Each church must work out and promote its own program of training. We cannot depend on some other church doing it for us.

## GROUP SCHOOLS FOR OCTOBER

Another fine way to help in the Sunday school training program is to have Group schools in October.

October is a good time since it is the first month of the year. Also, in this way, several churches making up a group can pool their workers and get a good faculty. Or, workers from near-by associations may be enlisted to help, and thus have a cooperative plan of it. So, make plans for Group schools in October.

## CLASS OFFICER'S CLINIC

Each October sees many new class officers, as well as department and general and also teachers.

These new class officers need help as to what to do and how best to do it.

So, a clinic of one night for them will be most helpful and will pay large dividends through the year.

Have a leader for each officers' group and let them spend the entire time that evening discussing the work of that one officer. Have the presidents in one room, the vice presidents in another, the secretaries in another, and the group leaders in another.

The leaflet, "Adult Class Officers at Work," will be good for guidance material. These may be secured from the State Sunday School Department.

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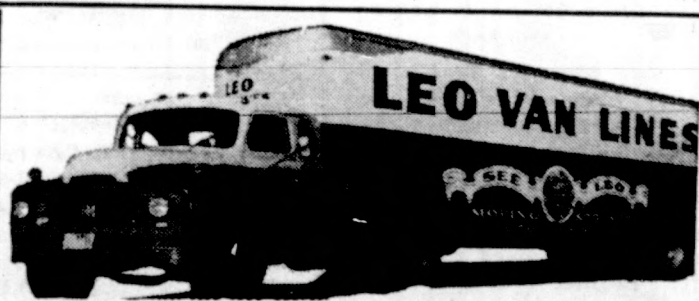
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# Children's Page

## Philips Fat Overalls

By ROSE LEION

"Hello, Mother," said Philip walking into the kitchen, "I'm home."

"Hello dear! Have some milk and a cookie?"

Philip sat down on a kitchen chair, CLUNK!

"What was that?" asked Mother.

"Oh, just the nails in the back pocket of my overalls," said Philip.

He stood up and turned around. His back pocket on one side stuck way out.

"You have too many nails in that pocket!" said Mother.

"Oh, no, just three," said Philip. And to prove it, he took out a handkerchief, an old golf ball, six pieces of crayon, his red top, and then, THREE BIG NAILS.

"You have too many things in your pocket," said Mother. "You are ruining your overalls!"

"Well, it's the only pocket I've got! Why don't you sew another pocket in the back on the other side?"

Mother sewed a back pocket on the other side. Philip put his handkerchief, the golf ball, and three of the six pieces of crayon in the new pocket. His overalls looked much better.

Next day, Philip came into the kitchen again and sat down, CLUNK! CLUNK!

"Phillip, stand up and turn around!" said Mother.

Phillip did.

Now both back pockets of his overalls were stuffed to bursting.

"What have you in those pockets, now?" asked Mother.

"Just a few marbles, see?"

Philip took out his handkerchief, the golf ball, three pieces of crayon, some nails, a whistle, some walnuts, and four marbles from the new back pocket.

"Do you want to see what I have in my other back pocket, Mother?" he asked.

"No thank you, Philip! You are ruining your overalls! Do you want me to sew on another pocket?"

"Yes, please," said Philip.

Mother sewed on a new pocket in the front on the right. By Friday, that was full, too!

Mother sewed a new pocket in front on the left. In three days, that too was bulging.

By the next Friday, Philip had six back pockets, and four front pockets!

When he walked into the kitchen and sat down, he sounded like this: CLUNK, CLUNK, CLUNK, CLUNK, C-R-A-S-H!

"Philip, you look tired," said Mother. "Don't you feel well?"



Illustrated by Marybelle Kimball

"I feel so fat," said Philip.

"Perhaps you've gained too much weight," said Mother. "I'm going to weigh you."

Mother took Philip's hand and they went upstairs to the scales in the bathroom. CLUNK, CLUNK, CLUNK CLUNK, up the stairs went Philip.

Clunk, CLUNK, he stepped on the scales.

"Fifty pounds! Mercy me, you've gained five pounds in one week! No wonder you feel fat! Your hands and face don't look any fatter, s-t-i-l-l you certainly do look fatter around the legs. Your new overalls will never fit!"

"I haven't gained any weight," said Philip, "but I think my overalls have!"

"We'll see," said Mother.

She unwrapped some new overalls. Philip put them on.

Philip stepped on the scales again. He didn't make any noise this time.

"Forty-five pounds," smiled Mother. "Just right!"

"Now I suppose I'll have to start sewing pockets on these new overalls, though," she sighed.

"No, Mother, one pocket is enough. I know what to do!"

Philip took his old overalls with the bulging pockets and hung them on a hook in his room.

"Now I have everything I want, but I don't want everything at one time. I'll just take three things at one time."

Philip took his handkerchief out of the left front knee pocket. He took a top out of the upper right pocket. He took some string out of the lower left back pocket. He put them in the pocket of his new overalls.

"When I get tired playing with my top, I'll put it back in my old overalls and get something else to play with. That'll be better."

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### T. T. Gooch

Thomas Terry Gooch, one of the oldest and most widely known citizens of Oakland, was killed almost instantly Friday, September 9, when he was accidentally struck by a truck on his farm in the Spring Hill community. He and his father died on the farm where they were born that had been the ancestral home for many years.

He was a devout Baptist and a faithful member, not having missed a service under the leadership of the present pastor. Mr. Gooch was a deacon for 40 years and a Sunday School teacher for over 50 years. He served as clerk of the Yalobusha Association for 27 years and also served on the Convention Board for several years.

Mr. "Tom," as he was known by his friends, had never married and for many years had lived with his sister, Mrs. Lizzie Gooch Pittman, who survives him. He is also survived by another sister, Mrs. Emily Buckner of Memphis, Tennessee and two nephews and three nieces.

Funeral services were held September 12, at the Spring Hill Church, Oakland, with Rev. C. W. Sheffield, pastor, officiating.

### Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



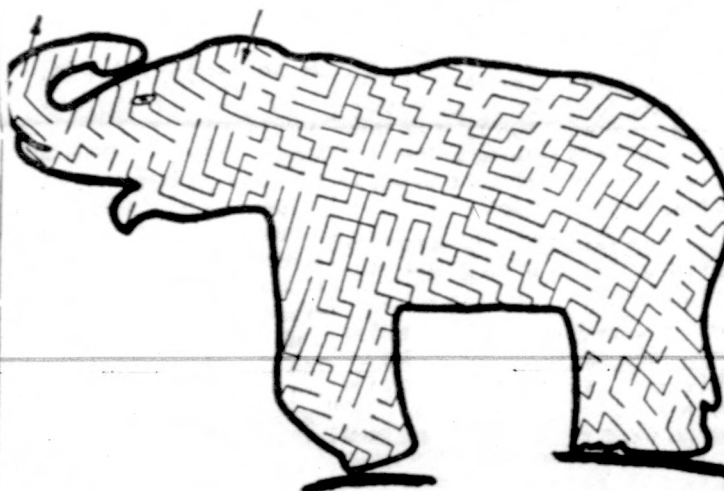
Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind" for the Baptist Record.

#### Treasurer's Book

Question: Does any member of a Baptist church have a right to look at the treasurer's book and check the report? And should the deposit slips and cancelled checks be checked to see if they balance?

Answer: Every Baptist church ought to have an auditing committee to go over the expenditure of money very carefully. No treasurer ought to sign checks by himself. There should be at least two signatures on every church check. And all church money should be counted in the presence of two people.

This is only fair to the treasurer.



Time yourself in working this. Within the next fifteen minutes, can you trace a path beginning at the arrow; no crossing of lines, and coming out at the arrow.—Reuben S. DeLong

### Schroeder To Speak On Baptist Hour

FORT WORTH, Sept. — Dr. George Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission, will deliver a brief message over the Baptist Hour October 9, on a subject of interest to all laymen, it was announced by the Rev. Paul Stevens, director of the Radio and Television Commission.

October 9 being laymen's day, the Baptist Hour will be dedicated to laymen, recognizing them for their fine work in the growth of the Southern Baptist Convention, and its ministry around the world. The program will also feature music by the Baptist Hour Choir, directed by R. Paul Green.

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### North East Pastors To Meet Oct. 10

The North East Mississippi Pastor's Conference will meet on October 10 at the Ingomar Church, south of New Albany.

Those to participate in the program include: J. C. Mitchell, Charles Harris, Dick Adkinson, Talmadge Pannell, W. A. Robinson, Harry Phillips and Al Collins. Rev. Frank Roblin is the program chairman.

Human nature being what it is, no man should be subjected to the suspicion and danger connected with counting money alone and keeping books unchecked.

I have known of many good people injured by sloppy business practices. If I were asked to be a church treasurer, I would not think of counting church money alone. Nor would I keep books without having them checked by a committee.

No, it would not be advisable to open books to everyone. This would simply breed ill-will and suspicion. But every member of a Baptist church has a right to know how every dime of money is spent, and only the church has the right to decide how it is to be spent. And full reports should be made to the church regularly.

This is the Lord's money. Good business principles are not too good for the church. Wise leaders will close the gate before the horse gets out.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri)

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## Sparks & Splinters

A recent B. D. graduate of the New Orleans Seminary desires pastoral work anywhere in Mississippi. He is between 34 and 40 years of age. Any church interested may write the Baptist Record and the letter will be forwarded.

James A. Stewart is new chaplain at Stetson University, Baptist school in DeLand, Fla. He went to Stetson from an eight-year pastorate at Riverside Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Fla. Dr. Stewart was at one time pastor of First Church, West Point.

Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Mrs. A. B. Short, Meridian; Rev. C. R. Allen, Hillsboro; Rev. R. W. Gordon, Charleston; Rev. Bryan Simmons and Rev. A. T. Walker, Ellisville; Misses Katherine Irwin and Joan Stewart, Jackson; Rev. W. R. Swenson and J. R. Wolfe, Duncan.

Tate Street Church, Corinth, will celebrate its 50th anniversary on October 16 with an all day service. The day's program includes a note-burning ceremony, dinner on the grounds and the recounting of the church history and progress. Former members, pastors and friends are especially invited. Rev. M. Glenn Smith is the pastor.

Clipped from an 1896 Sears, Roebuck catalogue: "Coffee, 12 cents a pound; five-pound tub of apple butter, 40 cents; five-gallon jug of maple syrup, 67 cents; forty-nine pound sack of flour, \$1.00; Prince Albert suit, \$13.95; derbies, 98 cents; four-wheel buggy, \$39.00."

Three new buildings of the Nigeria Baptist Theological Seminary in Ogbomosh, Africa, were dedicated August 10, with Dr. Porter Routh, executive secretary and treasurer of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, bringing the dedicatory address. The seminary plant, located in a strategic position on the main motor road from the port city of Lagos to Northern Nigeria, was designed to accommodate 300 students. The present enrolment is 85.

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Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Rev. Newell Massey, Louisville, Ky.; Rev. Ace McVay, Clinton; Rev. C. B. Hamlet III, Winona; Rev. C. O. Estes, Mount Olive; Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Cole, Philadelphia; Mrs. C. E. Thompson, Jackson, and Mrs. Zeke Allen and Jackie, Jackson.

Hinze Church, Winston Association, has voted to begin full-time service, as of September 1. The church has voted to contribute \$50 a year to the Cooperative Program and \$25 a year to associational missions. The Baptist Record is also a part of the church program. Rev. L. J. Fairchild is the pastor.

Neshoba Church does it again! The Neshoba Church of Neshoba County, who in the past three years has built a pastorium, a two story annex, gone full time, bought a church bus, and won second place in the state of Miss. for Rural Church Development work, has done it again. They began Family Night, Wednesday Sept. 28, having for the first time four new organizations; Brotherhood, R. A.'s, G. A.'s, and Sunbeams. Along with these met their two present groups; the W. M. S. and the B. W. C. Fifty-four were present. Rev. Bob Posey is the pastor.

The recent political upheaval in Argentina apparently did no harm to Southern Baptist missionaries there. "Upon the basis of reports thus far, all is well with our missionaries in Argentina," reports Frank K. Means, Latin America secretary for the Foreign Mission Board.

Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Dr. Otis Jones, Bude; E. L. Clark, Newton; Rev. C. L. Boland, Silver Creek; Rev. J. M. Metts, Winona; Rev. Bob Storie, Ocean Springs; Howard S. Davis, Picayune; J. Ray Grissett, Hattiesburg; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morgan, Toombsville.

Texas Baptists have formed a committee to send witnesses to Washington to protest violations of religious liberty guarantees in the United States Constitution. The witnesses, headed by E. S. James, editor of the Baptist Standard, Texas Baptist newspaper, hope to appear during a congressional subcommittee's hearings starting October 3.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. —(BP)—A 23-year-old blind youth was one of several persons here to receive his Sunday school worker's diploma at the Baptist Temple. Billy Turner, of Jacksonville, earned the diploma by completing the prescribed number of study course books.

Where there is no Christian Sabbath, there is no Christian morality; and without this, free institutions cannot long be sustained.

—Justice McLean, U. S. Supreme Court

## Dr. Sadler Shares . . .

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the 37 Baptist churches.

Dr. Sadler paid tribute to Spanish Ambassador Jose Maria Arelliza: "He believes it is possible for Protestants and Catholics to coexist in Spain. I believe he has done his best to help."

Dr. Sadler said the religious situation in Italy has not changed materially since his last visit. He was encouraged by the Baptist youth program which is growing in influence and the work of publication which is gaining in momentum.

### Religious Tolerance in Yugoslavia

"There is a degree of religious tolerance in Yugoslavia," he said, where Dr. and Mrs. John Allen Moore have recently gone to work with the Baptists. "The country is definitely Communist, but there is a degree of tolerance that allows worship and the training of pastors. There is a gradual growth in the number of Baptists which is now about 3,000. Growth should increase if the Moores, who now have a six months' visa, are permitted to stay."

Dr. Sadler was impressed with the accomplishment of Colonel Gamel Abdel Nasser, Egyptian Premier, who he thinks is "a real patriot" and "has done more for the common man than any of his predecessors."

He continued: "It is perhaps the best government the country has had in a hundred years. But it is nationalistic which means it is important to observe the Moslem approach and integrity. This nationalism expresses itself in opposition to any increase in the number of missionaries. It is impossible for new missionary societies to get into Egypt."

"The interesting phase of this to Southern Baptists concerns the work we are able to do through a national, Seddik W. Girgis, who is a product of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex. Mr. Girgis has been supported by churches and individuals of the United States."

### Baptist Work in Egypt

Dr. Sadler visited four of the several Baptist churches which are the direct outgrowth of work done by Girgis. There are also two elementary schools.

Rev. and Mrs. Finlay M. Graham, who have been serving in Lebanon, will be connected with Baptist work in Egypt if they are permitted to move to the Baptist compound in Gaza. They will visit the work in Egypt periodically.

Baptists in Gaza, where Southern Baptists now operate a hospital, "are being watched," Dr. Sadler said. A Baptist school of 300 pupils takes children through the equivalent of the fourth grade. A Baptist church will likely be organized in the near future.

The missions secretary found more freedom in Lebanon than anywhere else in the Near East, although Christianity is under pressure there for fear the delicate balance between Moslems and Christians will be turned in favor of the Moslems. Thus, Lebanon is afraid to give citizenship to the refugees of the country because they are Moslems.

Dr. Sadler helped to organize a Baptist church at Mio-Mio, near the old city of Sidon, and baptized two people.

He reported that a church and a school building are nearing completion in Beirut. The school will offer all grades now and will perhaps offer high school work later.

In Moslem Jordan, where a small Christian element, chiefly Greek Orthodox, tempers the situation, the Baptist hospital is doing an outstanding piece of work not only in Ajloun, where it is located, but also in outstation clinics in several of the 70 villages near by. A Baptist school in Ajloun serves 200 pupils.

### Rotting Refugees

Lack of freedom in Israel is due in large measure to the small, but very influential, group of Orthodox Jews. The Baptist church in Nazareth, located in the midst of an Arab community, is chiefly Arab and is a "going concern and one of the most encouraging things about our work in the Near East," Dr. Sadler said. "The actual number of Jews among the membership of our churches is very small, though it is said there are hundreds of Hebrew Christians, who for peace and other reasons do not come out in the open."

The Baptist school at Nazareth, with an enrolment of 350, now goes through the 12th grade, Israel, now with seven missionary couples and one single woman, is asking for three additional couples.

Regarding the recent trouble in the Near East, Dr. Sadler said one major mistake is that the Arabs refuse to recognize Israel. "Regardless of feelings, Israel is a reality."

The nearly 1,000,000 Arab refugees of the Near East are one of the biggest problems facing America and the Christian churches, Dr. Sadler said. "They are actually rotting."

Southside Church, Jackson, will begin a new radio ministry over station WJDX, Jackson, 620 on your dial, on October 2. Rev. S. W. Valentine is the pastor.

## Layman's Day Speaker



Purser Hewitt

Purser Hewitt, Managing Editor of Daily Clarion Ledger and former president of Mississippi Baptist Convention, will be guest speaker at First Baptist Church, Mount Olive on Layman's Day, Sunday, October 9.

## In Jail—Or Out? . . .

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capped terribly, needing more space. So last year's Lottie Moon Christmas Offering gave money to put a second story on the school building. Cutting corners, scrimping everywhere, the construction still cost \$3,000 more than the funds allotted. That was when Mr. McCormick said he guessed he would have to go to jail when the time came to pay the bill.

How much simpler it would have been if there had been money enough to build the two stories needed back in 1952 or even money enough to have paid all the bills this past summer!

In the school the children from non-Christian homes learn God's Word, feel the Christian atmosphere and go home to open the way for the gospel in the hearts of their parents.

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However, they do not mention the things that taxes do not pay. Below some of them are mentioned.

"The profits from liquor will NOT pay for the increase of insurance premiums on insurance policies.

They will NOT pay for the hospitals that have to be built and maintained because of the results of drink.

They will NOT pay the unpaid bills of the man who has spent his pay check in the beer joint and the saloon.

They will NOT pay for the pain and misery of the drunkard who dies a drunkard's death.

They will NOT pay for the fear suffered by the wife and children of the man made into a besat by drinking the brew of hell.

They will NOT pay for the man-hours lost by factories,

## Vancleave Exceeds Budget Goal

Vancleave Church of Jackson Association, Rev. Don B. Harbuck, pastor, reports the completion of its stewardship emphasis for the year. During the summer revival, Evangelist Charles Harvey of Shreveport, Louisiana, brought stewardship messages in the morning services. Besides six professions of faith, one addition by letter, and a number of rededications, many were challenged to accept their full stewardship responsibility.

shops, and stores because of employees drinking.

They will NOT pay for the sorrow of hearts that have been broken because of a loved one coming under the influence of the peddlers of intoxicants.

They will NOT pay for one soul that is lost for all eternity because of the greed of the liquor industry for money!

Every nation of the world that has fallen from a position of greatness, has declined because of moral decay from within. Those who brew and those who sell intoxicants have made the greatest contribution to the moral rottenness which is sapping the strength of this country."

Following the revival the pastor brought several messages on tithing in preparation for the church's first Loyalty Day on September 18. On that Sunday morning the young people presented the stewardship play, "Giving Inn" to the Sunday School assembly. At the class period each person from primary age up was asked to sign a subscription pledge

to the church's new \$6,100 budget. In less than an hour the budget was oversubscribed and by the end of the day sixty-seven people had pledged to give \$7,500. Fifty-eight of these were tithers.

—BR—

Perhaps one can have religion, yet not go to church. But why would anyone who has it want to stay away?

You need not scoff at the church because it contains many sinners. If it contained nothing but saints there might be no room for you. The Christian church was founded for sinners in the first place, and unless you are a saint, you need it. —H. N. Nimme

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## 'International Baptist Convention' Suggested For SBC — Murrie

CARBONDALE, Ill. —(BP)— B. J. Murrie, editor of the Illinois Baptist here, suggests "International Baptist Convention" if the Southern Baptist Convention should decide to change its present name.

"Nearly everyone agrees that the name 'Southern Baptist Convention' is outmoded and needs to be changed," Murrie writes in an editorial, "but they don't all agree on what would be the best name. Perhaps 10 different names have been suggested. . . ."

Grounds supporting his choice of "International Baptist Convention" include:

"1. Our Convention has always been international in theory, scope, and service.

"2. It is basically international . . . by the authority of the Lord Jesus (in the Great Commission).

"3. A name such as 'International' would help over come prejudice" that the gospel is something Americans have produced.

"4. This name will take care of any possible growth.

"5. It would open the way for small national groups of Baptists to affiliate with an international convention . . .

"6. The responsibility for the whole world might be felt more by a local church.

"7. The word 'international' . . . is growing . . . We use it every day."

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### CALENDAR OF PRAYER

October 10 — Mrs. H. O. Andrews, Chickasaw Association Training Union Director; Paul Owen, New Albany, Baptist Memorial Hospital trustee.

October 11 — Truett Mounce, Pontotoc Associational Music Director; R. H. Abbey, Webb, Baptist Orphanage trustee.

October 12 — Leslie Darden, New Albany, Blue Mountain College trustee; G. G. Frazer, Tate Brotherhood president.

October 13 — Mrs. Lamar Holcomb, Panola Associational W. M. U. Superintendent; Dr. A. E. Wood, professor, Mississippi College.

October 14 — W. L. Heard, Union County Convention Board member; A. L. McCough, Newton, Board of Ministerial Education.

October 15 — Tom Dotty, Lucedale, Mississippi College trustee; Walter Beard, Tralake, William Carey College trustee.

October 16 — Percy Simpson, Flora, Baptist Hospital trustee.



## Baptist Student Union

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### CONVENTION LEADERS



Pictured above are, left to right, top row: DR. DAVID MEIN of Brazil; DR. C. EARL COOPER, Greenville, South Carolina; DR. H. Y. MULLIKIN, Georgetown, Kentucky; and DR. JACK GUNN, Clinton, who are to participate in the program of the STATE BSU CONVENTION at MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE OCTOBER 28-30.

DR. MEIN is a Southern Baptist Missionary. DR. COOPER, Pastor of EARLE STREET CHURCH; DR. MULLIKIN, Professor of Astronomy, GEORGETOWN COLLEGE, and DR. GUNN, Professor of History, MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE.

Theme of the Convention is "God's World — My Life, Now." More than 1,000 college students are expected to attend.

#### PEREGRINATIONS (Focus Days, etc.)

Focus Days at MISSISSIPPI STATE, DELTA STATE, EAST CENTRAL JR., and OLE MISS, and supplying in CARTHAGE CHURCH have comprised our recent travels.

Though the Focus Days came early — perhaps too early in one or two cases — they were

well attended and received. DR. W. L. BALL, JR., Pastor of OAKLAND CHURCH, Rock Hill, South Carolina; MISS NELL MAGEE, BSU Director for JONES JR., and the writer composed the traveling team with the following coming in for one-day "stands": PASTOR JAMES FAIRCHILD, FIRST CHURCH, LOUISVILLE; PASTOR AND MRS. JAMES RILEY, BROOKSVILLE CHURCH and PASTOR C. B. HAMLETT, III, FIRST CHURCH, WINONA (MISSISSIPPI STATE); PASTOR CARMEN SHARP, CLARKSDALE CHURCH, and PASTOR CHARLES RAY, MOORHEAD CHURCH (DELTA STATE); MRS. ROBERT WOODDY, wife of pastor of POPLAR SPRINGS DRIVE CHURCH, Meridian (EAST CENTRAL) and PASTOR AND MRS. JOE TRIPLETT, of LOWREY MEMORIAL CHURCH, Blue Mountain, and PASTOR KERMIT CANTERBURY, FIRST CHURCH, Indianola (OLE MISS).

DR. CECIL JONES of BAY SPRINGS CHURCH, who passed away so suddenly, was to have helped us at EAST CENTRAL. And may we say here that we were shocked by his home-going and sympathize with his beloved wife whom, with DR. JONES, we first knew and greatly appreciated while they were students at MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE and we were on the staff there.

PASTOR ROBERT WOODDY, of Meridian's POPLAR SPRINGS DRIVE CHURCH, was to have helped us at EAST CENTRAL also; but was prevented from doing so. We were sorry he could not be with us. Being in CARTHAGE CHURCH, in the absence of PASTOR TROY PRINCE, was a great blessing. Attendance was good and the Christian spirit of the people and the spiritual atmosphere of the services was even better.

#### Miscellaneous

Receipts for Student Summer Missions for 1953 totaled \$2,661.34; disbursements, \$2477.99.

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leaving a total of \$183.35 to go on next year's Mission projects.

Unless those concerned have been notified otherwise, the STATE BSU CHOIR will rehearse and, also, all BSU Directors will meet at MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE this Saturday, October 8, at 10 a. m. STATE GREATER COUNCIL will meet in the AFTERNOON there.

Baptist leaders in the area of ITAWAMBA JR. COLLEGE, Fulton, which college was given a BSU grant at the recent State Board Meeting, are already looking for a BSU Director to begin work there January 1. Our prayer is that HINDS COUNTY ASSOCIATION, IN ITS MEETING October 17-18, WILL APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF ITS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THAT A BSU DIRECTOR BE EMPLOYED, ALSO AS OF JANUARY 1, taking advantage also of the BSU grant of the State Board made recently for that purpose.

RIGHTON CHURCH dedicated an evening worship service, just before school opened, to its college students. W. M. AVERETT is the pastor.

MISS MARJORIE BLACK is the new faculty adviser for BELHAVEN COLLEGE BSU.

BSU at WILLIAM CAREY sponsored a Student Evangelistic Week at IMMANUEL CHURCH, Hattiesburg. DR. ELMER NIELSEN, Pastor. Students participating: SUE HOLLAND, WAYNE STOCKSTILL, BOBBY BLACK, ELLEN HALL, ESSIE FAY JOHNSON, GEORGE WELCH, DON EVANS, DON SOILEAU, DON FOWLER, BILLY DAVIS, WAYNE HEMBREE, RUBIN QUIDLEY, EDITH WHITLEY, JANE BRIGANCE, HARRY HOWARD, BOBBY TURNAGE, CHALMERS COLLINS, MONA STEWART, BILLY CROSBY, LAVERNE WEATHERFORD, KATIE POPE, RUSSELL JOHNSON and MARCIA THIGPEN.

DR. BOB SIMMONS, Raymond; PASTOR HENRY CROUCH, NORTHSIDE CHURCH, JACKSON, and ASSISTANT PASTOR BILL CAUSEY, of PARKWAY CHURCH, JACKSON, were among those participating in MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE'S Pre-School Retreat. Theme: "I Surrender All."

Sunday is the only day some people have in which there is any chance to think high and holy thoughts. What a tragedy, then, to spend it in the fruitless pastime of watching the trunk of the car ahead.

—The Christian Advocate

tian growth, the Bible or Gospels? We give people a choice and in answer to our faithful prayer they read of Christ and his way and choose to walk in it. That's a better picture from every angle.

In the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering there are several publication allocations — in Hong Kong for the Chinese-speaking world, in Japan, in Brazil, for Baptist Spanish Publishing House in El Paso to reach out to Spanish-reading people everywhere, in Nigeria, in Italy.

Thinking what a difference reading makes, will you be sure your Lottie Moon Christmas Offering gift is generous enough to help all these places?

### Kilmichael Church Awards Merit Pins

Nina Brister, 8, and Patricia Brister, 7, received special recognition from the Kilmichael Baptist Church Sunday, September 25, for being present in Sunday school every Sunday for five consecutive years. Pins were presented by Charlie Brown, general superintendent.

Nina and Patricia are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Brister of Kilmichael. Their Sunday school teacher is Mrs. Henry Townsend.

Others receiving pins in the Promotion Day exercises were Betty Bruce Brister, eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Brister, who has a two-year perfect attendance record; Jeannine Townsend, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Townsend, with a perfect record for one year; and Mrs. Weldon Brister, teacher of a 25-34 year ladies' class, who has a perfect record for one year and who has missed only once in the past five years.

### To WHICH CHURCH did the APOSTLES BELONG?



There is much unnecessary confusion about the beginning of the Christian Church—the early New Testament Church to which the apostles belonged.

Much of this confusion is rooted in the fact that some segments of Christianity in the twentieth century have claimed the early New Testament Church as their own exclusive ancestry. In so doing there has inevitably been distortion in presenting the picture of the early Church.

The fact is, the early Church did not have various "faiths" and "denominations." It was simply composed of those who came to believe in the risen Saviour, Jesus Christ. Through their faith in Christ they knew that they would be saved from the wrath of God. The Bible says that "the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." (Acts 2: 47)

Bible-believing Christians today do not maintain that the Church is made up of just one sect or denomination. The basis of membership in the Church has not changed since the first century. The Church is still composed of all those who believe in Jesus Christ as

Saviour. It is still made up of all those who are saved.

There is close fellowship today among Bible-believing Christians in numerous Protestant groups, just as there was close fellowship among the various groups of believers in the days of the apostles. Among these believers the Bible has always stood as the supreme authority in spiritual matters.

Through the Bible message of salvation these Christian believers have come to know a newness of life which was known to the apostles—and to all believers of their day. The Bible says, that "if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away: behold, all things are become new." (II Corinthians 5: 17)

If you would like to know more about the Church—the great fellowship of those who believe on Jesus Christ as Saviour—you will want to have a pamphlet which has been prepared for your benefit. You may have it FREE of charge if you fill in and mail the following:



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## Sunday School Lesson

By Dr. BRACEY CAMPBELL

For October 9.  
BOYHOOD OF JESUS.  
Bible Text: Luke 2:41-52

### INTRODUCTION

We may well be led to pause at a consideration of the difference between the manner in which many of our young children spend their leisure and that in which the Jewish children of an earlier day spent theirs. Is it true that a great many of our adolescent boys and girls upon coming into the home or even going into a drug store go straight for the (funnies) instead of any literature of a more worth while and permanent character? And is the same thing largely true with reference to the theatre? Is not that which most greatly attracts their attention—trash of one kind or another? And does this lack of good taste with reference to literature and entertainment confine itself principally to the young, or does it also engage the attention of a large percentage of our adult population?

### I. A RELIGIOUS PAIR

Moses commanded the Jewish people to observe three annual feasts: Passover, Pentecost, and Tabernacles. The distance that some of the people lived from Jerusalem entailed upon them considerable hardship in attending these feasts. We are told that the distance from Nazareth in Galilee to Jerusalem is roundly ninety miles and that the method of travel employed by the people was mainly of two kinds: either they walked or, what I judge a little less uncomfortable, those who did not walk rode donkeys. You can see with little trouble how great a hardship the attendance upon the feast of the Passover imposed upon Joseph and Mary. But Luke tells us that they were accustomed to attend the feast every year.

We may think of it as requiring three days for Mary to walk that distance or to ride a donkey. Thus six days would be consumed in going down to Jerusalem and returning to Nazareth. The feast of the Passover itself occupied seven days. From these considerations it is easy enough to understand that a powerful sentiment must have moved Joseph and Mary to make this trip every year. We are assured by people who have investigated the matter that attendance upon the feast had fallen into neglect by scores of thousands of people and we may be sure that a pair of people who were willing to walk ninety miles to Church were actuated by an unusual earnestness.

### II. THE BOY WHO WAS LEFT

It is likely that he had not

been to Jerusalem since the day he was dedicated in the Temple of the fortieth day after his birth. He had remained at home in Nazareth where it is written of him, "The child grew and waxed strong." The word translated "grew" is a word that means "spontaneous growth." I said to a little mother this morning, "Please turn the carriage around so I can see the baby." And then I said, "Looks chubby enough to be a boy," but little mother answered, "But it's a girl." "How old?" "Five months, but she has certainly been growing." Now, the little miss hasn't been thinking about growing—hasn't been planning it at all. She has just been growing, spontaneously, with no knowledge of it at all.

And that is the word used when it is said of our Lord, (Luke 2:40) "The child grew." He was just becoming a larger baby boy. He didn't have to think about that. His growth at this stage was spontaneous. His growth was an important matter, and so is yours at any age or stage. When you and I need to realize distinctly that we never cease to grow, that is, that we never cease to become somewhat different from what we are.

The important thing concerning any one of us or anybody in the world is not what he or she is at five o'clock on Monday afternoon of a given month and year, but what he or she is becoming because we each may be very sure of this: that no man or woman remains the same for a single day. The powers that play upon us and our reaction to them shape us in spite of all that we can do. Why, you can't meet a friend and after a half hour of fellowship leave that friend exactly the same person you were when you met him. His village home, his playgrounds in it, and his barefooted playmates all developed the body and the boyish mind of the little Lord Jesus.

Now notice Luke's language, (Luke 2:53) "Jesus advanced in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." This word "advanced", believe me, is a different word from the word translated "grew" in verse forty. This word "advanced" conveys the meaning of a deliberate choice, plan, performance. Our Lord had grown to the point where now he deliberately undertook the shaping of his life. It was at this period, when he reached the age of twelve, that he went with his family down to Jerusalem.

The twelfth was an important birthday in the life of every Jewish boy, and is so yet. A Jewish lad who has reached this age is said to have become a son of the law. He had undergone such instruction in the rudiments of the religious learning of his people that he is now adjudged capable of learning at

## Biloxi, First Has New Secretary



Miss Dorothy Thomas

Miss Dorothy Thomas has accepted the position of church secretary at First Church, Biloxi. Miss Thomas is a 1955 graduate of Mississippi College, where she received her B. A. degree in religious education. She began her duties with the Biloxi church on September 5. Miss Thomas is from Rich, Mississippi, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Thomas of that city.

the feet of the rabbis. We are told that they sat flat upon the floor and that the young student did likewise. The artist was wrong about it, Jesus did not teach in the temple upon this occasion. When his foster father and mother found him he was, no doubt, sitting upon the floor listening to the rabbis, asking them questions, and answering those they asked of him.

### III. THE BOY WHO WAS FOUND

The feast was over and the company from Nazareth started home. We are told that the women and children were ahead while the men and larger boys brought up the rear. Joseph and Mary had learned to think of Jesus as a very dependable boy. Joseph undoubtedly thought that he was with Mary and the smaller children, while Mary thought he was with Joseph and the larger boys. It was only when night came and the company stopped to make camp that they missed him.

The second day of his absence was occupied in their return to the city, and on the third day they found him in the Temple with the teachers. This was about the finest place he could have been, absorbed as he was in learning the law and the will of God. But Mary was, perhaps, a slight bit impatient when she said to him, "Son, you have kept your father and I very uneasy. We could not imagine where you were." Notice his answer to his mother. It is most respectful. "Why did you use time in a vain search for me? Did not you know that I must be in my father's house?"

### IV. THE OBEDIENT SON

## Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

### DOES YOUR CHURCH HAVE A CHURCH MUSIC DEPARTMENT

You may have music in your church and still not have a church music department. The first step in setting forth a program of music education in your church is to establish a full time department of music. This department is established only by a vote of the church in conference. A director of music education is appointed. This director may or may not be an employee of the church on the payroll. When you establish your church music department, send a report of this action to the Church Music Department, Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi.

### MUSIC WEEK AT LONG BEACH

The Long Beach Church entertained a music week for the Gulf Coast Association, September 19-25. The class in Music Theory was led by W. C. Morgan and the class in Conducting was led by Mr. Grant Shipp of Biloxi. These classes met simultaneously each evening and then came together for the Choir Clinic during the last period of each session.

An attendance of nearly 100 was reached with several churches cooperating.

The program was concluded with a Song Sermon led by W. C. Morgan during the 11:00 o'clock preaching hour, September 25.

Rev. John Green, Pastor of the Long Beach Church was responsible for this emphasis and led in the promotion of the school. The Long Beach Church did a fine job in serving as host to this school of music and ex-

Luke tells us that he went down to Nazareth and remained subject to Joseph and Mary. You say, "Of course he did", but it is not "of course" at all. Edgar Hoover tells us that the progress of this whole country is decidedly toward ruin just because the youth of our country are not "subject", or we are made to wonder whether there is any such thing as parental law or consistent discipline swaying the American home at this time. It is woe to this country or any other in which there is not.

Now that statement is just as true as the statement that a stone will fall. It is not only our blessed Lord who became the model man by obedience to a pair of good simple-hearted parents, but that is true of every man and every woman who has ever lived or does or ever will. The lesson out of this lesson without which our civilization cannot survive is this: Obedience to the law of the good parent is the only avenue that leads to the individual safety or liberty.

pressions of appreciation came from all of the churches.

### BAPTIST HYMN SING

The Sharkey-Issaquena Hymn Singing was held Sunday afternoon September 25 at the Cary Baptist Church. Six pastors were present, with seven churches represented and a total of 68 present. The pastors were Rev. Roy Raddin, Rev. D. D. Satterwhite, Rev. Ollie Bryant, Rev. Thomas Mikell, Rev. Thomas Gregg, Rev. J. M. Snowden.

Mr. Satterwhite gave a most inspiring talk on, What Does God and The Pastor Expect of his Choir Members?

Rev. Roy Raddin, Pastor of the Anguilla Church was elected Director of Music Education for the coming year.

Mrs. J. H. Sandifer, Jr. will serve as Director of Publicity and Promotion. The next meeting will be held at Anguilla, Jan. 8, 1956.

## 50, 40 and 25 Years Ago

By J. L. BOYD Sr.

50 Years Ago


Pastor J. E. Wills resigns the pastorate of the New Providence Church to enter the Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky, and resolutions are passed regretting his leaving them, but binding him with the promise to return next year and preach for them in the revival meeting.

40 Years Ago

Pastor J. M. Metts reports "a very successful meeting" with his New Hope Church, Oxford Association, doing his own preaching, assisted by B. W. Hudson as singer and song leader.

25 Years Ago

Pastor B. E. Phillips had as his helper in the New Hebron Church revival Rev. Norman W. Cox of Meridian, with 27 additions, 23 of them for baptism.



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# Carver School Registers 102

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — (BP) — With registration count still incomplete 102 students have enrolled at Carver School of Missions and Social Work here.

The fall enrolment for the 1954-55 school year was 100 with total enrolment for the whole year of 118.

Indonesia, Jordan, Peru, Nigeria, and 18 states of the United States are represented in Carver's student body. The school is operated under auspices of the Woman's Missionary Union, an auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.

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## Concerning Resolutions, Obituaries, Memorials

The Baptist Record wants to be of as much service as it can to all of its constituency. As the circulation has grown larger and larger its constituency has also greatly increased. A few years ago it was a difficult problem to provide enough material for each issue. That is no longer true. Now the problem is to use all the material sent. Much of it has to be condensed or else many would be left out.

At a meeting of the Baptist Record Advisory Committee the following regulations concerning obituaries, memorials, resolutions, and memorial poems were adopted.

1. Obituaries of 150 words or less will be published free. More than 150 words will be charged for at five cents per word.

And that does not pay the cost of production. If a person were to send an obituary just one column long, the 150 words would be free and the approximately 284 words at five cents a word would amount to \$14.20. However, the cost of producing that one column is \$25.00 or a loss of \$11.40.

2. Most resolutions sound good but could be written in many less words than are ordinarily used. The committee voted to charge for all resolutions at the rate of five cents per word.

3. After having published obituaries or having offered to publish obituaries free the com-

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Rev. James A. Foster, Southern Baptist missionary to the Philippines, has been elected vice-president of the Baptist Theological Seminary, Baguio, to succeed Dr. R. F. Ricketson, who will soon be leaving for furlough. Mr. Foster is a member of the seminary faculty, pastor of the Baguio Chinese Baptist Church, and treasurer of the Philippine Mission. He is a native of Jackson, Miss. Shown above is Mr. Foster teaching a class in Old Testament.

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## Italian Police Halt Protestant Meeting

ROME —(RNS) — Police officials in Florence halted a religious meeting being held there by the Rev. Lido Petrini, Italian-born minister of the Church of Christ, an American mission group.

The officials said their action was in accordance with Article XVII of the national police laws prohibiting unauthorized gatherings.

In similar situations in the past, Protestant leaders have contended that the police laws, passed in 1929 and 1930 under Italy's fascist regime, were superseded by the 1947 constitution guaranteeing religious freedom.

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CARBONDALE, ILL. — (BP) — Miss Dorothy Reed, of Benton, Ark., has become youth secretary for the Woman's Missionary Union of the Illinois convention of Southern Baptists. A graduate of Ouachita College in Arkansas, and of Carver School of Missions and Social Work, she was on the staff of Camp Crestridge for Girls, Ridgecrest, N. C.

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Freedom of worship should not be interpreted to mean neglect of worship.

mittee did not feel that it was wise to publish memorials free months and years after people have passed on.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

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East Side (Rankin)	142	67
Richland (Rankin)	248	129
Pearl (Rankin)	222	145
Flowood	90	81
Pine Bluff (Copiah)	100	62
Paul Truitt (Rankin)	185	115
Hattiesburg,		
38th Avenue	234	112
Laurel, First	692	175
Jackson, Southside	318	195
Edwards	92	66
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	551	168
Hattiesburg,		
Main Street	1081	520
Jackson:		
Broadmoor	575	227
Highland	118	70
Parkway	1189	626
Daniel Memorial	891	438
Crestwood	707	478
Van Winkle	701	361
West Jackson	366	
Calvary	1743	507
Main School	1674	499
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Northside	737	229
First	1568	522
Springfield (Scott)	107	64
Batesville, First	483	244
Yazoo City, First	630	211
Wheeler Grove	125	117
Soso, First	180	128
Bay St. Louis, First	169	62
Meridian,		
Oakland Heights	351	174
Baldwyn	297	109
Morton	368	243
Main	315	139
Mission	53	104
DeLay	70	57
Meridian,		
Poplar Springs	508	239
Meridian, Highland	564	231
Lucedale	447	107
Bethlehem (Jones)	220	170
Bethlehem (Choctaw)	39	25
Sharon, First (Jones)	174	85
Canton,		
Center Terrace	339	171
Crystal Springs, First	726	264
Vicksburg, First	683	216
Hernando	169	76
Charleston, First	390	173
Winona, First	417	155
Bruce	315	130
Longview (Oktibbeha)	78	62
Clarksdale, Riverside	224	90
Anguilla	74	57
Magee's Creek		
(Walthall)	128	71
Fulton, Trinity	101	64
Brownsville, Beulah	89	63
Houston, First	356	186
Cross Roads (Rankin)	62	52
Calvary (Alcorn)	103	89
Grenada, Emmanuel	305	141
Hattiesburg, Temple	668	230
Laurel, Highland	305	139
Glenfield (Union Co.)	117	102
Gillsburg	192	118
Gulfport,		
Grace Memorial	258	71
Oakland Grove (Jones)	123	112
Greenville, Northside	110	66
Booneville, First	347	121
Calhoun City, First	355	159
Ripley, First	343	119
Amity (Chickasaw)	56	64
Bluff Springs (Pike)	85	89
Union, First	369	151
Aberdeen, First	400	144
Purvis, First	311	98
Greenwood, Calvary	604	168
Concord (Choctaw)	97	89
Petal, First	161	75

Petal-Harvey	429	195
Main	369	186
Harvey Mission	41	
Richton Road	19	9
Columbia, First	822	323
Main	749	259
South Columbia		
Mission	73	64
Red Banks	78	43
Corinth, Tate St.	266	106
Oakland Grove (Jones)	123	112
Stonewall	276	161
Horn Lake	188	126
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	253	150
Jackson, Alta Woods	323	728
Mount Pleasant		
(Lincoln)	118	93
Grenada, First	809	221
Mt. Zion (Lincoln)	150	80
Florence,		
Steen's Creek	224	88
Brookhaven,		
Hamilton St.	141	82
Brookhaven, Central	125	78
Brookhaven, First	970	312
Main	831	230
Southway	108	57
Halbert Heights	31	25
West Point, Calvary	290	171
Fair River (Lincoln)	100	67
Gulfport, First	1037	320
Tupelo, East	359	214
Marks, First	306	111
Olive Branch	201	87
New Prospect (Desoto)	66	83
Clarkson (Zion)	84	69
Fellowship (Choctaw)	90	68
Murphy Creek		
(Winston)	158	125
McComb, Locust St.	122	71
Macedonia (Lincoln)	239	101
Darling	103	80
Clarksdale	503	172
New Hope (Marion)	235	158
Greenwood, North	363	130
Starkville, First	840	347
Gulfport, Broadmoor	238	81
New Albany, First	745	274
North Side Mission	74	44
Main	671	230
Providence (Lebanon)	218	94
Wayside (Yalobusha)	60	49
Cleveland, Emmanuel	217	147
Pleasant Ridge		
(Holmes)	89	84
Pascagoula, First	845	331
Main	719	250
Orange Grove		
Chapel	76	59
McArthur Chapel	50	22
Mt. Pleasant (Holmes)	76	71
Union (Walthall)	195	134
Hattiesburg, First	750	287
Meridian, Eastview	214	131
Jackson, Hillcrest	294	145
Durant	313	124
Jackson, Ridgecrest	444	189
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Wheeler Grove		
(Alcorn)	136	123
New Hope (Marion)	229	181
Concord (Choctaw)	102	94

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The Alumni Luncheon for Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at the 1956 Convention in Kansas City has been scheduled for 1:00 p. m. on Wednesday, May 30, at the Hotel Muebach in Kansas City. Convention dates for 1956 are May 30 through June 2. More than 1,100 alumni and friends attended the 1955 Southern Seminary alumni luncheon at the Convention in Miami.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD  
KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.



NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB)

— Shown above is Ben A. Rentz, Jr., who is a field worker in the Audio-Visual Aids Department, Baptist Sunday School Board. He has been in charge of sales promotion of audio-visual aids for the Baptist book stores at Raleigh and Charlotte, N. C., for the past year and a half. (Editor's Note: Mr. Rentz is from Jackson, and his parents are members of Calvary Church, Jackson. Editor Goodrich was their pastor in Lexington in the late '20's.)

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## Northside Elects Twelve Deacons

The Northside Church, Jackson, in an impressive Sunday morning service on Oct. 2 set aside 12 new deacons to their peculiar task. Two men who were elected had already been ordained and thus B. M. Jones and James Merritt were officially installed. The men ordained are: L. M. Montgomery, H. N. Worley, Zach Taylor, T. J. H. Anderson, S. K. Dossett, B. P. Knight, W. H. Pittman, L. W. Cooper, Marshall Martin, and J. H. Summers. J. W. Underwood has also been elected as a deacon but was out of town at the time of ordination.

This brings the Northside Deacons to 36 in number. This will be the first year on a new rotating system that sets the deacons active term at three years. A year must elapse before a deacon may be returned to active service.

W. R. Burris will serve the board as its new Chairman for the coming year. Linus Scott will serve as Vice-Chairman and Dick Dorman as Secretary. Rev. Wm. Henry Crouch is the pastor.

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Citizens of Knoxville and Knox County voted overwhelmingly to retain prohibition following a pre-balloting day parade by church groups and other supporters of the local dry law. Scores of cars, trucks, and other vehicles in the parade carried hundreds of young people waving banners behind bandmen who played "Onward Christian Soldiers" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic."



## Riley To Magnolia



Rev. James B. Riley

Rev. James B. Riley, pastor of the Brooksville Church for the past five years, has resigned in order to accept the pastorate of the First Church, Magnolia effective Nov. 1.

The work at Brooksville has grown substantially. The Sunday School average attendance has increased 90 percent and the Training Union attendance has increased 5 per cent.

Cooperative Program gifts have doubled and the church has initiated a plan for a building program. 118 new members have been received during the five years.

The Rev. Mr. Riley has been active in associational work and is Convention Board Member.

The Rileys have two children, James, three, and Ruth, one. At Magnolia he will succeed Rev. Tom Douglas, who resigned to become pastor at First Church, Pontotoc.

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## Missionary Dotson Translates Bible

A 14-year task of providing the first translation of the Bible into the Nadau language was recently completed by Rev. Clyde J. Dotson, Southern Baptist missionary to Southern Rhodesia.

This translation, soon to be published by the British and Foreign Bible Society, could make the Bible available to nearly 60,000 Africans who speak the Nadau language in the area along the border of Southern Rhodesia and Portuguese East Africa and along the Buzi River in Portuguese territory.

Mr. Dotson and an assistant devoted 12 years to the work.

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Every church is faced with the problem of finding enough trained leaders. Most churches need more and better workers. Weldon Crossland has written a book entitled BETTER LEADERS FOR YOUR CHURCH, which points out how to find them, how to train them and how to keep them. The 125-page book sells for \$2. Order from the publisher, Abingdon Press, Nashville 2, Tenn.

## The Editor's Report

(Condensed from the PRESBYTERIAN RECORD)

Editor's note: This is an article which appeared in the PRESBYTERIAN RECORD, September, 1955, issue. The magazine is the official organ of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Editor is John McNab, our long-time friend, has given permission to reprint this article.

Has it never occurred to you that a Church paper with its informative and inspiring articles can set the pattern of Christian thinking for our congregations? Any worthwhile religious journal aims at two things: it seeks to confront men, women, and children with the Living Christ and also to make those who have accepted Him more intelligent and consecrated Christians.

An official journal, like our own, will seek to promote the causes that our boards plan for the advancement of the whole Church. It will bring to our members a deeper understanding of church projects but its ultimate goal must ever be the enrichment and deepening of faith.

Our real purpose is to serve the Church and to serve it to the utmost. There may be serious limitations on both budget and staff, never the less, we do not consider these things should be made an excuse for a poor paper . . .

Its high purpose can only be attained by the most cordial co-operation of each congregation. The General Assembly noted with satisfaction the continuing increase in circulation through the operation of the Every Home Plan. There are now 62,400 subscribers, and as congregations concentrate on "Record Week" . . . it is hoped that many more churches will enroll their members in this forward movement.

Some people wonder if the adoption of the Plan is worthwhile. Testimony from congregations . . . is that both young and old take a greater interest in church activities and in stewardship, and that the regular reading of THE RECORD creates a deeper loyalty.

There is no finer Presbyterian than an informed Presbyterian. Knowledge of what his Church is doing creates enthusiasm and this will help plug the leakage created by change of address and the entry into a new environment . . .

This is an age of propaganda. Jehovah's Witnesses pour fourth millions of pieces of literature yearly. The false "isms" concentrate on the printed page. Surely The Presbyterian Church in Canada with its high educational standards for clergy and laity will not allow these cults to outdo its own zeal and aggressiveness in the spread of the printed page.

Every congregation, every minister . . . can promote the all-over reading of THE REC-

## Gulfport Ordains Curtis Brown, Jr.; Four Are Licensed



Curtis Brown Jr.

First Baptist Church, Gulfport, has in recent weeks, ordained one young man and licensed four others to the gospel ministry.

The young man who was ordained was Curtis Brown, Jr., who was at that time an airman at Keesler Air Force Base. He has since completed his term of service and entered Louisiana College. He is pastoring a church in a Louisiana town.



Burge Dykeman



Rainey Stewart

The young men who were licensed were Curtis Burge Jr., now a student at Mississippi College; Al Dykeman, an airman at Keesler; Kenneth Rainey, now a student at Mississippi College; and Ron Stewart, a senior in Gulfport High School.

Several other young people have surrendered to full time Christian service in the past year.

ORD, even the people who have been lukewarm, by the adoption of the Every Home Plan . . . Should not each congregation also appoint someone with writing ability and news instinct to keep the pages of our Church journal bristling with the achievements of the local congregation in these days of Presbyterian expansion?

## Dr. Carl Winters Calls For Crusade

Chicago, Ill., — Declaring that "Alcoholics are multiplying twenty times faster than A. A. or all other rehabilitation groups can salvage these victims", Rev. Dr. Carl S. Winters, Pastor of First Baptist Church of Oak Park, Illinois told the first Fall Conference of the Illinois Temperance Council Sept. 17 in the Chicago Room at the Central YMCA, Chicago, that "America is in danger of moral bankruptcy and the undermining of American standards and ideals, unless an effective unification of church attitudes and programs is soon achieved."

Dr. Winters urged that every church in every community become a center of constructive study and civic action on the relative values, alcohol, moderation and abstinence.

"It is high time", Dr. Winters declared, "that scientific researchers, social workers, religious leaders and institutions, and law makers join hands in a basic program which will be soundly scientific, basically religious and socially effective to turn back the liquor tide . . . This must be a combined operation because the largeness of our task demands the unity of our team."

The most serious facts about this problem", he continued, are "1. Alcoholism is a major factor in the death-dealing, life-crippling, mass-murder on our highways.

"2. Alcoholism is a major factor in our broken homes and our divorce-ridden society.

"3. Alcoholism is a major factor in juvenile delinquency, the crimson parade of crime, and bar-room politics.

"4. Alcoholism is a major factor in corrupting the tastes, undermining the standards, and breaking down the ideals of multitudes of Americans, which in turn renders them incapable of making the wise choices and standing for the high principles which have made America great.

"Many magnificent individuals and institutions like our psychiatrists, ministers, our churches, rescue missions and Alcoholics Anonymous, clinics, have done fine work, but the alarming fact of this growing evil makes it obvious that our present effort is not enough."

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## STATE MISSION DAY SCHEDULED FOR OCT. 23

State Mission Day in the Sunday School has been set for Sunday, Oct. 23, it has been revealed by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treas-

## Washington Church Honors Outstanding Baptist Pioneers

WASHINGTON — (BP) — More than a score of outstanding Baptist leaders of history will be pictured in stained-glass windows in the new First Baptist Church here.

The church, of which Edward Hughes Pruden is pastor, is under construction.

While the major windows will portray the life of Christ, a series of smaller windows will portray the Baptist personalities.

Personalities to be pictured include:

Missionaries—William Carey and Adoniram Judson.

Authors—John Bunyan and Alexander Maclaren.

Preachers—Charles H. Spurgeon and George W. Truett.

Hymn writers—Samuel F. Smith and William H. Doane.

Pioneers—Roger Williams and Walter Rauschenbusch.

Bible translators—Edgar J. Goodspeed and Helen Barrett Montgomery.

Laymen—James L. Kraft and Russell Colgate.

Educators — James P. Boyce and Booker T. Washington.

Other individuals chosen for display on windows are Archibald T. Robertson, Kenneth Scott Latourette, Lottie Moon, Luther Rice, John Mason Peck, George Washington Carver, Harry Emerson Fosdick, Sam Houston, Russell H. Conwell, B. H. Carroll, and Charles Evans Hughes.

The church, affiliated both with the American Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention, is expected to be ready for occupancy before Christmas.

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Every church and Sunday School in the state has been urged to observe the day with a special program and take an offering for the cause of state missions.

State Mission Day has been approved by the State Convention for the purpose of emphasizing the importance of state missions.

This year's state mission budget is \$252,320 and includes 27 items.

State Missions receives \$208,527.38 from the Cooperative Program, leaving a balance of \$43,792.62 to be contributed through State Mission Day in the Sunday School and the W. M. U. Week of Prayer if the budget is to be met.

State Missions is basic to our total Mission program and a strong home base is necessary, according to Dr. Quarles.

Part-time churches that do not have services on the 23rd are urged to observe another Sunday or utilize their Sunday Schools on that day.